

enough to save life; if they are growing old they know they will be provided for, and in time of war they generally remain quietly at home while their master goes and spills his blood for his country."

Concerning North Carolina the book says in part: "New Bern was a pleasant town, but the enemy has spoiled it and driven away the people. At Fayetteville is the state arsenal, where many guns are made. The guns and gun machinery were moved there from Harper's Ferry since the war began. The people of this state are noted for their honesty and for being slow but sure. No braver men are fighting in this war for independence than those from North Carolina. While some few cowards refuse to fight for their country, it is a notable fact that nearly all of them were of the ignorant class and many of them did not know what patriotism was. We should feel as much pity for them as contempt, because they had not been properly taught."

Of South Carolina this geographical reader says: "This was the first state to secede. Many persons blamed the South Carolinians for leaving the Union too soon, but it may have been best; it is impossible for us to decide. The war would have come sooner or later. God usually punishes wicked nations by war. I mean by this that when people become too wicked he gives them over to hardness of heart to work out their own punishment and sometimes destruction. How much better for all to be good. In this state, as well as in North Carolina, there are many cotton mills and woolen factories, which produce excellent domestics and jeans, besides spinning much cotton yarn for the mothers and sisters to weave. In some of these factories negro slaves perform the work. South Carolinians are termed a chivalrous people. You do not understand this? Well, when any one imposes on them their motto is to fight. Also, if they see a person badly treated they feel bound to help him. Their leading men have sometimes been called hotheaded, because they are so quick to resent an injury. The upper classes are educated and refined, but the poor are generally ignorant. Most of the labor is performed by slaves. These are hardly as well treated as in North Carolina and Virginia, but they have the Gospel preached to them and are generally contented and happy. On the coast a chain of beautiful islands is covered with live oak, magnolias, with blossoms as large as a hat, and the finest of sea island cotton, but the enemy has spoiled most of these and stolen many of the negroes who till the land. They told them they were free, and even formed regiments of them to fight against their masters. But the negro is too cowardly for a soldier, and so he is of but little service to his northern friends."

This is said about Arkansas: "This state has suffered terribly during the war. The enemy have ravaged the whole of it and the wrongs of the people are heartrending. But there is a God of Vengeance and ere long these sufferers will be avenged." As to Missouri this is given: "This state has suffered dreadfully during the war. The people are much divided and did not secede with that unanimity with which most of the other states did. The enemy have de-

vastated much of the state; but the brave spirits there will yet conquer, and this will be one of the finest states in the Confederacy. The Indians from the Indian Territory have joined the southern army and made themselves useful to our cause."

This is said as to Tennessee: "The enemy took Nashville, the capital of the state, the first year of the war, and have not yet been driven from it; but they will ere long. Many hard battles have been fought here during this war for independence. But though she is oppressed now and suffers much, no one fears for Tennessee. She is nobly doing her part and when the war is ended she will be one of our best states. Many pure spirits are praying for peace and if we will humble ourselves as we should we shall soon be blessed with the glorious news, Peace! Peace!! Peace!!! O, who will not appreciate peace when it comes."

The review questions are very interesting indeed. Here are a few of them.

Q—When people elect a man by voting, to rule over them, what is he called?

A—A President.

Q—For what length of time are presidents elected?

A—In the Southern Confederacy they serve six years, but in the United States only four.

Q—If people elect a bad president what is done at the close of his term?

A—Another man is elected.

Q—When one man rules a country, what is the government called?

A—A monarchy.

Q—Suppose he is wicked or a bad man, how can the people help themselves?

A—They generally have to bear it until their King dies.

Q—If the people of the United States had always elected good men for rulers what would have been the result?

A—We should have had no war.

Q—Why?

A—Because every man would have been willing to treat others justly and there would have been no cause for war.

Q—Are these judgments for our sins alone?

A—They are partly for our sins and partly for the sins of our forefathers.

Q—Then how shall we expect peace, since sin has brought war?

A—We must repent of our sins and ask God to bless our efforts and defend our country.

"Time changes all things."

FRED. A. OLDS

#### Kansas Ranchmen Feeding Antelope

Ranchers in the southwest part of Greeley county are feeding a big bunch of antelope, running wild. It is necessary in order to keep them from starving until the snow melts, for it has covered every weed and all the grass. For the first time in ten years the snow is so deep in this county that wild animals must be cared for or starvation will result. There is more than a foot of snow on the level and nothing possible for the antelope to eat is to be found in all the big sweep of upland. Greeley county is almost as level as a floor, all over, but the big herd that has been running wild for years finds subsistence all of the winter, excepting in a case of this sort, and the ranchers are looking after their needs now.

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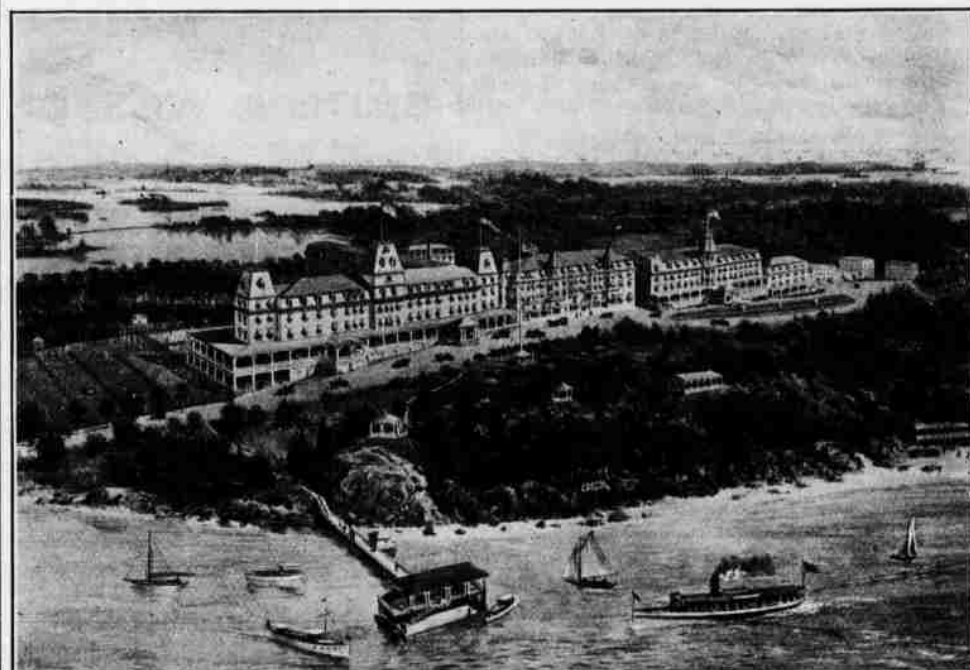


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