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BILL ARP'S WEEKLY LETTER.

COMPARATIVE FIGURES ON CRIME NORTH AND SOUTH,

SHOWS SOME STARTLING FACTS

William Calls Census Reports to His Aid In Refetting Charges of Lawlessue is In the South.

I have just received the third vol-ume of "Compendium of the Census of 1890." Eight years have passed since the people made their returns and the time is nearing when they will be called on again. It takes a long time and costs millions of money, but it is a big thing and diffuses knowledge among the people. It is better that the money be spent that way, for there are no private schemes nor corporation swindles in it and it gives employment to thousands of needy people. The census is the only mode of getting at the true condition of the nation's affairs and a comparative view of the wealth, resources, education and morality of the people of the different

I have been very much intérested in these comparisons and feel pronder than ever before of my state and sec-tion. For more than half a century the partisan and sectional literature of the north has overshadowed and humiliated us with unfair, untrue and slanderous statements. By these unchristian methods of their press and pulpits their own good people have been poisoned against us and immigration influenced in northern chaunels. Personally, I do not complain of this, for I esteem it a blessing that neither northern fanatics nor foreign paupers have to any alarming extent infested our fair lands. The natural increase of our own people will soon enough occupy the south and secure to us a home Zeneous citizenship that will continue to be the most moral and the most patriotic of any this side of the Atlantic. Not long ago an Ohio man had the cheek to publish a letter about our lawlessness and said was amazing impudence for Georgia or the south to invite northern people to settle here. Well, we don't invite him nor any of his kind. An unknown friends writes me from Nebraska and says: "Call off your dogs. Let the yankees alone and blow your horn for Germans. I have lived for thirteen years right here where both abound and I will take the Germans or the Swedes or the Swiss if you can and then their place, every time. The yankees have hated you for generations. They are born hating yau and raised up in schools and churches to hate you. They can't help it. But these foreigners have no such prejudices. They don't like your negroes, but have got nothing against you. They are a fair-minded, industrious people and I have found them hon at and kind and good neighbors whom you can depend on in time of

trouble. But to the census. Look at these figures on crime and criminals in some of the states north and south in 1890; Massachusetts, convicted criminals in

	New York, convicted criminals in prison Ohio, convicted criminals in prison.	11,46
7	Dinois, convicted criminals in prison	
	Total Now deduct the negroes	
	Leaving whites. Now let us take four southern states	
	Georgia, whites	242
	South Carolina, whites	
	Mississippi	119
	Virginia	

Now the total white population of the four northern states is 15,477,000, and the total white population of the four southern states is 3,000,400, being about one-fifth.

The negro has been eliminated in both statements, and as the population of the four northern states is five times that of ours we will multiply our convicted white prisoners by five, which would give us 4,330 against 21,745. I said in a recent letter that there were 50 per cent more of felonies in New York or Massachusetts than in Georgia. I was mistaken. There are five times as many, which is 500 per cent, and this is the ratio according to white population. I tell you, my brethren, this census comendium proves an alarming condition of things up north, and it is high time our southern churches were or ganizing boards of missions and sending missionaries up there. We send them to Mexico and China and Brazil and to the Indians in the west; why not to Massa-chusetts and New York and Ohio, where crime and immorality prevail to a greater extent than in any civilized country? That is just what Mr. Stetson said-the statistician of Massachusetts. His language as published was: "There is no country upon earth where crime is so flagrant and so frequent as in Mass, chusetts." Her pop-ulation is about double our white population, and yet she has -fifteen time as many white criminals in her prisons-and what is worse than all, my brethren, 748 of them are women. Just ponder over it and, like the prophet, exclaim: "How are the mighty fallen!" Only one white woman in the jails or chaingangs of Georman in the jails of chaingangs of Georgis and 748 in the Puritan state of New England. What shall we do about it? What can we do? But this is not all that the census tells. In addition to this vast army of prisoners, Massachusetts has 700 secondars, to initiate the consolidation.

juvenile prisoners, while New York has 3,676 and Ohio 1,530. Then there are over 8,000 paupers in the four states, besides the thousands that are in private benevolent institutions. How in the world do those states up north support such a vast army of criminals. paupers, tramps and non-producers? No wonder they want protection and pensions; no wonder they plunder the public tressury. They are obliged to do it. Ninety per cent of all the money that goes into it comes out into their pockets in some way or other, and still they are not happy; they want the other ten.

But what is the relative condition of the common people of the sections? How about homes and mortgages and debts? It is the common people who constitute a state or a nation. They support it with their labor and defend it with their arms. In numbers they are as 500 to 1 of the aristocracy. They all deserve to have homeshomes of their own, unencumbered. A home means more than shelter. It means roses and vines and shade trees and fruit. Ask the poor renter who is bumped about from place to place every year. Ask his wife and daugh-

in the north Atlantic and north central divisions—only 41 per cent is on the homes of the South Atlantic states. The mortgages on Massachusetts homes amount to \$102,948,196. Just think of it-ponder it-ruminate over it-over one hundred millions of debt against the common people of one little state having about double the white population of Georgia. Can they ever pay it? New York is but little better, having \$245,000,000. In fact, the whole north is covered as with a blanket by debt, and the millionaires are the owners of it. Debt! What a hard, unfeeling word it is. My old partner was wont to say it has a harder alliterative following, viz: debt, duns, death, damnation and the devil. Is it any wonder that such exponents as Debs and George and Coxey rise up and plead for the people-the common people-the toilers who have no homes at all? Is it any wonder that strikes are made and the people carry blood ou can, and then you will feel as

they feel. But, while we sympathize with them, and pity them, let us be grateful that we live in this southern land, and are in the peaceful enjoyment of so many rich blessings. good Lord preserve us from their crimes and their debts is my prayer. -BILL ARP in Atlanta Constitution.

PITHY NEWS ITEMS.

David R. Rider, Jr., 60 years of age, was stung to death by bees at White field N. Y., while hiving bees.

A severe wind storm in Chicago did considerable damage to buildings, kill-ing one woman and injuring three other

"Healer" Schlatter, who is in Chi cago, Ill., denies the report that he married Mrs. Ferris, widow of the Ferris wheel inventor.

The American Tharmaceutical Association in session at Minneapolis, Minn., decided to meet next year in Baltimere. J. H. Bobbitt, of North Carolina, was chosen secretary. Price-cutting was denounced.

Chief State Constable W. N. Bahr, of South Carolina, has been suspended from the force indefinitely by the Governor for being too talkative. An investigation will follow to see if the order will be made permanent.

President Bords, of Uruguay, was assassinated by a boy while he was coming out of the Cathedral, after at-tending a fete in celebration of the in-dependence of Urnguay. He was not

Charged With Embezzlement. Thomas M. Arrington, of North Carolina, for twelve years past an employe of the postoffice department and recently in charge of the Washington d . vision of postoffice inspectors has been arrested at Washington, D. C., charged with embezzling government moneys. An investigation of Arrington's accounts has been in profess for some time and, it is said, resulted in the discovery of a shortage of about \$3,000. He was released on \$2,000 bond.

McKinley in Cleveland. President McKinley was the guest of the American Bar Association at its banquet Friday evening, though the fact that he was to be there was kept very quiet. The President entered the banquet hall after the speaking began. He was accompanied by Secretary Alger and Senator Hauna. A seat hadbeen reserved for him between the new and retiring presidents of the associa-tion. After the applause which greeted he President had subsided the toastmaster announced that the executive committee had reported the election to

Millions in a Fishery Combine. Edwin Corbin, of Chicago, Ill., has losed a deal amalgamating the United States and Canadian Lakes fisheries

ion of William McKinley, of Ohio. The announcement was greeted with

States For Grain Supplies,

CAUSE OF THE WONDERFUL RISE.

In New York Frotember Wheat Touched \$1.06 3-4 and Cash Wheat \$1.14 1-4-Then There Was a Drop in Prices Due to Sales to Take Profits-The Govern ment's Report on Short Foreign Crops.

NEW YORK CITY (Special) .- There was tgain great activity in wheat on Monday and a new high record price was made for it, although it was not maintained. The chief dealings were in September wheat, or wheat deliverable in September. On the New York Produce Exchange September wheat touched \$1.06%, or 13% cents a bushel above the high price of Saturday, which up to that day was the top price. The closing price was \$1.08%, or 1% cents every year. Ask his wife and daughters what they think of home. The census puts down 99,890 white families in Georgia who have homes, and says that 96 per cent of these are paid for and have no encumbrance. Virginia has 97 per cent paid for; Mississippi and Sonth Carolina 93 per cent each. Massachusetts has 175,000 families owning homes, but 37 per cent of them are mortgaged. New York has 490,000 homes, and 41 per cent are mortgaged; and the compiler says that more than 90 per cent of all the home encumbrance of the United States is in the north Atlautic and north central divisions and the discontinuous control of the control of below Saturday's closing price. The high

FOREIGN CROP REPORTS. Shortage of Wheat and Rye in Europe Sends Up Prices.

Sends Up Prices.

Washington, D. C. (Special).—The Agricultural Department is informed through its agents abroad that the reports of a shortage in the wheat and rye crops of European countries are fully warranted by the facts. In eastern Europe particularly there is a defleciency of rye. In a special grain crop report Statistician Hyde, of the Department, said:

"This fact, as well as the wheat deficiency, will tend to restrict the exportation of the latter from those European countries which usually have a surplus of that grain. As to non-European countries other than the United States, their aggregate contribution to the European supply will be materially affected by the fact that India, denuded by the famine, will have practically no wheat to export."

Conservative commercial estimates put the total wheat crop in France as low as 100,000,000 hectoliters, making it about one-seventh less than the heavy crop of 1866.

An official report from Germany says that none of the leading cereals are rated

as "good."

Mail advices from Russia speak unfavorably regarding the wheat and rye crops, the recent great heat having caused premature ripening.

Prices of wheat at Vienna are reported

to be the highest in ten years, and foreign wheat is being imported.

In Belgium the yield of wheat is report. ed as satisfactory, but that of rye deficient.

Advices from Copenhagen, Denmark, say that rye had suffered from storms but wheat was a fair average crop and barely

The wheat crop of Roumania is described as "very disappointing," and parcels of new grain received in London are irregu-

hew grain received in London are irregu-iar and of very pour quality.

Crop prospects in India were improved by rains in many districts, but in Bombay and Punjab much more rain was needed.

Esports from Australia say the crops have been improved by rain, and according to latest mail advices were fairly good.

Telegraphic reports from Argentina rep-resent the weather as being favorable for the crops. he crops.

Say Wheat Will Go to \$1.50. TOPEKA, Kan. (Special).—"Hold your vheat" is the advice by many of the lead-ng whest raisers of Kausas. The big jump n the wheat market induces the farmers to cold out for a higher price. Big raisers say f Western farmers will hold their crop six-

ty days wheat will go to \$1.50. AN AGED PHILANTHROPIST.

John I. Blair, of New Jersey, Beaches the Age of Ninety-five.

The Hon. John I. Blair, of Blairstown, N J., on Sunday was ninety-five years of age. There was no public demonstration, owing to the impaired health of the aged philan-



thropist. A short time ago it was believed that he would die, but he ralifed and is now reported to be improving.

Bialristown was named after him, and all the working people in it owe their living to blin, as the men are engaged in the various enterprises which he founded. He made his first dollar when he was a boy of eight years, and he has said that he felt prouder and happier over that dollar than he felt when he had his first million. Ameer Knuckies Down.

In response to the note of protest and In response to the note of protest and warning addressed to the Ameer of Afghanistan by the Indian Government, in regard to inciting Mohammedans of India to revolt against British rule, the Ameer has issued a firman forbidding his subjects to join the Indian rebels. The Ameer has prescribed severe penalties.

At Clinton, Ky., an acre of wheat yielded 103 two-bushel sacks, Outs eix feel high in the stalk are report-

WHEAT MARKET ACTIVE THE NEXT CAMPAIGN ISSUE

All Europe Must Look to the United The Secretary of State Finds One of the Quaintest Books.

ROUGH ON THE POOR PEOPLE.

Notice as to Public School Books. Must Pay Board or Get Out-Other North State News.

The Charlotte Observer's Raleigh correspondent, under date of 28d, says three prominent Democrats were interviewed - ex-Governor Jarvis, F. M. Simmons and Ed Chambers Smith, the latter ex-chairmen of the State executive committee, and all of then now members of the central committe.

Jarvis said, when asked what, in his opinion, would be the paramount issue, or issues in the next campaign: "While I am a friend to the negro, and have done all I can to help him, it is clear that the white Republicans cannot govern the State without negro support. They are utterly incapable of giving proper State, county or muni-cipal government. They are creatures of the negro, and you cannot expect the creature to rise above the creator. All other questions fade into nothingness when compared to this overmastering question of whitesupremacy." Speak-ing of Senator Butler, the ex-Governor said: "He has a rocky road to travel. When a man deserts principle and goes

for pie he is bound to strike rocks." Simmons said: "The keynote of the coming campaign will be the record of the fusion administration, white su-premacy and a straight fight."

Smith said: "It looks now like our platform ought to be brief, a reaffirmation of the national platform, and condemuing the rascality and incompetency of the Republican Populist adminis-tration. Unquestionably the great is-sue will be the control of the State by the white people. This means the stopping of the outrages largely committed because the Republican party is in power, I believe this is largely the case. Our party must make a clean-out fight. Our party must make a clean-out fight. We have given the Populists every opportunity of showing some devotion to principle, and can now, especially after their utterances and their address by their State committee let them stay where they say they wanted to be—in he 'middle of the road.'"

It is said that such Republicans as Lieut. Governorr Reynolds and Attorney-General Walser are for a straight

ney-General Walser are for a straight fight and no alliance with Populists.

The superintendent of public instrucadopted by the commissioners of each county on the first Monday in June for three successive years them to have lists and prices published so parents and children may know what are required and the prices to be In some counties he heard of books being sold higher than contract prices recorded at the registers of deeds office. It is the duty of the supervisors to see that the children are not imposed upon. He suggests that the list and prices be printed on heavy pasteboard and placed in every school house.

State Labor Commissioner Hamrick completes the compilation of mill statistics and says there are 206 cotton, 55 woolen, and two silk; total, 223, with 1,039,000 spindles and 23,000 looms. Gaston leads in spindles, having 113,000; Mecklenburg, 84,000; Rutherford, 80,000. There are mills in 47 counties, Gaston leads in number of factories. Gaston leads in number of factories, with 22, Alamauce having 20, Randolph 18; Mecklenburg 16. Rutherford has the largest mill—74,000 spinhles and 2,400 looms. Surry county has a third of all the woolen mills. The mill em-ploying the most operatives is the Hen-rietta, in Rutherford, which has 530 men, 665 women and 845 children.

William Daniel Vinson, M. A., L.L. D., professor of Mathematics at Davidson College, Davidson, died suddenly at 3 a. m., on the 20th, of heart disease. He was 48 years old. He was a native of Richmond county. He was a graduate of Washington and Lee University and was formerly professor of Mathematics in Austin College, Texas. Prof. John L. Douglass, of Savannah, Ga., has been secured to fill his place. He is an alumnus of Davidson, and was Dr. Vinson's favorite pupil of all that passed under his hand and his choice for his successor. William Daniel Vinson, M. A., LL for his successor,

The directors of the penitentiary have ordered that officials who have their families in the penitentiary must pay board for them. Families in the peni-tentiary is a new idea of the fusionists, who are in charge of the penitentiary. Four large families are quartered there at the State's expense. The management of the penitentiary is so bad as to arouse the indignation of some of the Populist directors. -Ex.

Dr. Cy Thompson, Secretary of State, has found the quaintest book in North Carolins. It is a written record of all the minutes of the meetings of the Quakers at Symon's Creek meeting house, Pasquotank county, from May, 1699, to October, 1785. It embraces nearly 1,000 pages. He says he will have it bound and present it to the State Library.

Auditor Ayer says: "It has been said that we are proposing to raise all taxes out of people of means and corporations; but our board of equalization has increased taxes on poor people 500 per cent. and in some cases 1,000 per cent. Yet the rick people's taxes have been increased only 10 per cent.

Mr. Geo, S. Hall bought a watermelor out of a country wagon several days ago. When he cut it he found in the centre a curious formation separate and distinct from the melon, and yet partaking of some of its nature. The substance was almost as large as a cocoanut and resembled a beet. It was round and apparently half beet and half watermelon.—Charlotte Observer.

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