

WHAT THEY SHOW.

Interesting Figures Regarding Our Population

THE PIEDMONT SURPASSED

In Growth of Population by the Low Country.

Which is a Surprise.

We are going to give you a surprise and knock out some long-held theories as to the quarter in which the State's growth in population has been greatest.

What is the Piedmont region? We quote from Harry Hammond's handbook of South Carolina, issued by the State department of agriculture in 1883:

The Piedmont region of South Carolina coincides very nearly with what is known as the upper country of the State. It includes the whole of eight counties, to wit: Abbeville, Anderson, Newberry, Laurens, Union, Fairfield, Chester and Lancaster.

As it is impossible with the figures now available—and probably it would be equally impossible if we had the figures by township—and the north-eastern population of the Piedmont region must confine ourselves for the purposes of this article to the use of the term as commonly accepted.

In 1880 the populations of the respective counties touched by the Piedmont region were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: County Name and Population. Includes Abbeville (40,815), Anderson (33,612), Newberry (26,497), Laurens (29,444), Union (24,080), Fairfield (27,765), Lancaster (24,153), Edgefield (18,903), Richland (25,544), Kershaw (21,573), Chesterfield (16,245), Pickens (14,889), Greenville (37,486), Spartanburg (40,409), York (30,713).

Total 493,396. These were 18 of the 33 counties then in existence. The organization of new counties has since increased the number in the Piedmont to 21 out of 40 in the State.

In 1900 the populations of the Piedmont counties were as follows:

Table with 2 columns: County Name and Population. Includes Abbeville (33,400), Anderson (55,728), Newberry (30,182), Laurens (37,582), Union (25,803), Fairfield (29,425), Lancaster (28,616), Chester (24,311), Kershaw (25,478), Lexington (27,264), Richland (45,589), Kershaw (24,696), Chesterfield (20,401), Oconee (23,634), Pickens (19,375), Greenville (55,560), Spartanburg (41,624), Chester (21,359), Greenwood (28,242), Saluda (18,966).

Total 630,384. In 1880 the population of the State was 995,577 and of this number 493,396 were in the Piedmont counties, leaving 502,181 in the remainder of the State.

The Piedmont counties at that time contained 8,735 fewer people than the remainder of the State.

In 1900 the population of the State is 1,340,316, of which the Piedmont counties contain 630,384, leaving 709,932 in the remainder of the State.

The Piedmont counties, therefore, now contain 20,452 more inhabitants than the remaining counties of South Carolina. Their net gain over the remainder of the State in 20 years has been only 29,237.

Now we will take up the other extreme of the State—the counties of the coast region as they extend with more or less regularly from Georgia to North Carolina.

TERROR OF THE SEA.

Washed from a Wrecked Steamer to be Frozen to Death

ON A DESERT ISLAND.

The Story of Horrors Comes From Seven Islands Bay.

No Survivor of the Disaster Found.

A new horror is reported from Seven Islands Bay, on the coast of Labrador, where 26 lives were lost by the wreck of the iron coasting steamer St. Olaf.

It is now believed that many of the victims of the disaster escaped the sea to meet a lingering death in the snow on a desert island. A schooner with a relief party went from the village of Seven Islands to Isle Boule, seven miles distant, to search for survivors.

There was no shelter but that of the trees on the island, and it is probable that the survivors of the wreck went ashore Wednesday night in the midst of a storm.

The man who traded between here and Eskimo Point, on the Labrador coast, and carried the government mails to the various points of that territory, was built by Murdoch & Murray at Port Glasgow, on the Clyde, in 1882, and originally plied to the Orkney Islands.

A BROTHERLY FATHER.

Left His Children in an Outhouse to Die.

George Griffin and wife, white, were tried last week in Nassau County N. C., for causing the death of Griffin's four children by a former marriage.

SCURVY COWS TEETH.

According to tradition, says the Philadelphia Record, "there was once an old woman who kissed her cow and said, 'Every one to his own taste.'"

TURKS MAD.

Cable advices say that the Vienna Tagblatt publishes a dispatch from Constantinople to the effect that Turkish council of ministers have held a conference to determine whether or not the sending of the United States battleship Kentucky to Smyrna should be regarded as an act of hostility.

WILL TRY OLD GUNS.

It is reported from Pekin that an imperial edict has been issued, ordering the viceroys and governors to stop the manufacture of modern rifles and cannon and revert to the old style of weapons.

A NARROW ESCAPE.

From Being Thrown Into a Red Hot Coke Oven.

FEARFUL ACCIDENT.

Fell Through Roof on Red Hot Furnace.

TOP OF FACTORY FALLS.

Precipitating Seventy-five People on Red Hot Vats. Nine Killed and Fifty Burned Terribly.

Nine people were killed and fully 50 badly injured by the collapse of the roof of the Pacific Glass Works, on Fifteenth street, San Francisco, Thursday, while it was crowded with men and boys watching a football game.

PROBABLY INSANE.

An Unusual Experience in Secretary of State's Office.

Officials in the secretary of state's office had to deal Wednesday with a crank or a crazy man, who came from Knox, Tenn.

CRAZY CAPTAIN.

The brand new four masted American schooner Wellfleet, of Boston, Mass., bound from Sabine Pass, Texas, to Port Antonio, Jamaica, with six hundred thousand feet of lumber on board, was wrecked on the coast of the British Shetland Islands.

FIRE DION'S HURT HIM.

The Columbia Record says one of the most startling exhibitions ever seen in Columbia was that of Mr. N. C. Wats at Hyatt park yesterday evening.

DESPERATE FIGHT.

A dispatch from Gayetty to the State says: Geo. L. Wilson, manager of the county chain gang, was committed to jail here yesterday for shooting a man.

INDIANS DYING.

The food supply of the Indians at Cook Inlet, Alaska, is about exhausted, and nearly half of the savages are literally starving.

NOTABLE WEDDING.

A notable wedding occurred in Birmingham, N. Y., last week. The groom to be is Mr. Page, aged 31, height 34 inches and weight 49 pounds.

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