The Negro Population.

Daily Item.

The Baton Rouge Capital Item has this suggestive paragraph:

"The white population of Baton Rouge is not increasing, while the negro population is at least one third greater than ten years ago. If this continues the time will very soon come when it will be impossible for a self-respecting white person to live here. There is but one way left to change this order of things, and that is for the whites to organize a racial protective association.'"

We have recently heard reports of the largely increased number of loafing and vagabond negroes on the streets of Shreveport, and this, too, at a time when labor is greatly needed on the plantations. But however great this evil may be, there has never been a time since the war in that town when colored population were not taught to know their place and by the strong hand, if need were, forced to keep it. The younger generation of blacks, in the cities especially, are arrogant and disposed to be insolent, if not checked by the superior race, and to judge from the comment of the Item, our Baton Rouge friends may have been a little slow to recognize, or at least to act upon this fact.

No one doubts but that prosperity of our Southern cities, New Orleans in particular, and of the country at large would be greatly enhanced if the negroes were relegated to the plantations where they properly belong, and white men employed in their places as porters, draymen, stevedores, etc. Granting, what the merchants maintain, but what we are reluctant to admit, that colored labor, as a rule, is more effective, and even more reliable than white labor, the getting rid of the presence of this class would tend largely to the removal of the worthless vagabonds who are chiefly fed from the kitchens of the whites and who make burglary a profession. With a much smaller population they have a much larger representation before our criminal courts. The terrible tragedy of yesterday furnishes an object lesson of the danger of permitting black ruffians to congregate in this city.

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Before Minister Conger convinces us that he is alive he will need to produce two reliable witnesses to that effect. We cannot accept his mere personal assurance of such an important point. — Lake Charles American.

And before the witnesses are believed it will have to be shown that they bear more euphonious names than Fang Wu and Ah Sing. Chinese diplomacy seems to consist principally of bare-faced lying.

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A Model Institution.

New Orleans Harlequin.

Middlesex county's jail, at New Brunswick, New Jersey is said to be so free and easy an institution that prisoners are kept in it only by moral suasion. During the past five years over forty prisoners have escaped from it. The officer in charge, Sheriff Barclay, is doing everything in his power to make things so comfortable that the prisoners will stay with him, but the other day "Moose" Whitlock, the jail cook, who is serving thirty days for disorderly conduct, became offended. As the story goes, Sheriff Barclay heard some one had been seen handing a bundle of some sort over the jail well. He asked "Moose" about it. He tried to make it clear that he entertained no suspicion of his cook, and was asking simply for information, but the fact that he was suspected rankled in the sensitive soul of the cook, and he walked out of the jail yard by forcing the barred door away from the staple to which is used to be locked. When the sheriff missed the cook he went in search of him and found him down town. He tried to persuade Whitlock to return and serve out his sentence, promising him four meals a day, but it was not until the sheriff apologized that Whitlock forgave the unintentional insult and returned to his cell.

The country regulators in their palmiest days were genteel, harmless fellows compared with the New Orleans hoodlums who composed the mob in that city last Wednesday night. Even bloody Tangipahoa can never expect to equal the terrible record made by The New Orleans boxers. Such a gang would be a fit body guard for Prince Tuan.

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Roosevelt's Specialties.

Washington Post.

Apart from the circus feature of the Republican programme, which appears to have been confided exclusively to the Rough Rider candidate, there is another cheap campaign activity toward which the hero of San Juan is visibly tending, no doubt by the law of gravitation. We refer to the war shriek of "the fifty-cent dollar." We rather think that the arrangement was inevitable from the outset. Nothing could be more harmonious than the association of cowboy antics and the idiotic drivel of the "fifty-cent dollar," and in no other person could this combination have found congenial lodgment. It will not be necessary for Roosevelt to slough off his Wild West, buck-jumping, dime-museum toggery in order to descant, with perfect propriety, on the terrors of the maimed and mutilated dollar. The same people who take Teddy's heroism and his breeches seriously will gaze in good faith at that coin reduced by half, and straightway fear the worst. It is a mere matter of intellectual destitution. The innocent credulity which accepts Roosevelt's circus as a triumph of statesmanship will no doubt be equal to the task of accepting his fifty-cent dollar as a first-class bugaboo.

We do not altogether agree with those who protest against this melodramatic cavorting as an affront to common sense and, therefore, a thing to be repudiated. No doubt it pains intelligent people, but all of us are not intelligent, and who can so logically take charge of the others as the Hon. Rough Rider Roosevelt? They cannot be reached through any medium less maudlin than the five-cent novel, and their imaginations are dead to reason and probability. In fact, we find the arrangement absolutely ideal. Well-informed people know, of course, that the fifty-cent dollar is under existing conditions, an idle nursery tale. They know that, even if he were elected president, Mr. Bryan would be as powerless to make free coinage at 16 to 1 as he is at this moment. They are perfectly aware that Republican legislation has made free coinage impossible until such time as we shall elect a silver Democrat for president and a silver Congress to repeal the present laws. Well-informed people are also aware that Roosevelt was not the hero of San Juan Hill, or of any other locality or occasion, and they suffer greatly because of his ridiculous antics and pretensions. But the thousands of voters who are not well informed, and who prefer a circus to an academy every day in the week, must be looked after in this contest, and who so competent as Roosevelt?

We shall watch this gentleman's career from to-day until the close of the campaign, and firmly expect to see him or hear of him wherever humbug and hysteria preside.

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William Waldorf Astor attempts to retrieve his position in English society by publishing another card, alleging that his vulgar action in driving from his concert Capt. Milne and advertising that fact was due to a misunderstanding that entirely absolves the Captain from any "intentional discourtesy." Nothing, however can absolve Astor. Even if Milne had been guilty of all that Astor assumed him to be, Astor's conduct was incomparably worse. The trouble with this man, who left America because there were no gentlemen here, is that he has never yet found anybody able to teach him how to be, or even to imitate, a gentleman.—Courier-Journal.

Why Franklin Did Not Write It.

"It has always been a curious puzzle why Franklin, the man of ripe age, of commanding distinction and of approved literary skill, was not selected to write this declaration instead of Thomas Jefferson, then only thirty-three years old and comparatively unknown," says John Gilmer Speed, in the Saturday Evening Post. "It could not be that Franklin was passed by because he had done everything within his power to avert the war and reconcile the differences between the Colonies and the Mother Country, for all wise men in the Colonies did all that honor permitted in that direction until the die was cast. No, it was not a fear of Franklin's earnestness in the cause of the Colonies—it was probably the fear of Franklin's humor.

"He was not only the greatest man of his time, but he was one of the greatest humorists of any time. And so his associates were possibly afraid that he would put a joke in the Declaration, and passed him by and selected the lank young Virginian with the freckled face.

"As it was, Franklin did have his joke, for when the members of Congress were about to sign the Declaration, Hancock, whose earnestness is expressed in the bold signature which comes first, said in his own earnest way: 'We must be unanimous; there must be no pulling different ways; we must all hang together.'

"Yes,' replied Franklin, 'we must hang together or we shall be pretty sure to hang separately.'"

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