

and Newton (pop. 2,000), located at the crossing of the Alabama & Vicksburg Ry. with the M. J. & K. C. R. R. Some of the other villages are the old settlement of Union in the northern part, Chunkey's Station, Conehatta and Lawrence. The Alabama & Vicksburg Ry. runs across the southern part of the county from east to west and gives it direct communication with Jackson and Meridian, and the Mobile, Jackson & Kansas City R. R. traverses the county from north to south. This railroad has opened up some fine timber lands, which afford an excellent opportunity for manufacturers at Newton. A short line known as the Tallahatta Ry. from Meehan Junction on the A. & V. Ry. taps its eastern border. The county is well watered by numerous creeks, which flow south from the Chickasawhay River. The timber of the region consists of pine, oak, sweet and black gum, cedar, magnolia, beech and cypress. It lies in what is known as the central prairie belt and its surface is level, undulating and hilly; the soil varies in character, consisting of prairie, pine and bottom lands and "reed brakes." It produces cotton, corn, oats, sorghum, tobacco, sugar cane, rice, potatoes, field peas and all kinds of vegetables and fruits suitable to the latitude. Many fine beds of marl are to be found in the county and an extensive use of fertilizers is made; in the year 1900 \$41,710 was expended in this direction.

The industry of stock raising has proved profitable and this item is a large one in estimating the resources of the county. The following statistics from the twelfth United States census for 1900, relate to farms, manufactures and population:—Number of farms 3,277, acreage in farms 299,641, acres improved 114,928, value of land exclusive of buildings \$1,135,760, value of buildings \$543,230, value of live stock \$605,696, total value of products not fed \$1,165,741. Number of manufactures 63, capital invested \$162,102, wages paid \$44,141, cost of materials \$130,085, total value of products \$285,297. The population of the county in 1900 was whites 11,659, colored 8,049, a total of 19,708 and an increase of 3,083 over the year 1890. The population in 1906 was estimated at 21,000. Artesian water has been found at Hickory, at Chunkey's Station and along the eastern border of the county. The total assessed valuation of real and personal property in Newton county in 1905 was \$2,435,291 and in 1906 it was \$3,765,433 which shows an increase of \$1,330,142 during the year.

Newtonia, a postoffice in the southern part of Wilkinson county, 6 miles south of Woodville, the county seat, and nearest banking, express and telegraph town. Population in 1900, 26.

Newton Landing, a post-hamlet of Warren county, on the Mississippi river, about 16 miles south of Vicksburg. Population in 1900, 24.

Newtonville, a postoffice of Attala county, 13 miles east of Kosciusko, the county seat. Population in 1900, 22.

Newzion, a postoffice in the southeastern part of Pike county, 25 miles east of Magnolia, the county seat.