

7. Vicksburg is on the left bank of the Mississippi river, 520 miles from its mouth. It is a flourishing place, and, like Natchez, has a great trade in cotton. The town is situated on the shelving side of some hills, with the houses built in groups upon the terraces. It is connected with the capital by a rail-road.

8. Among other thriving places in the state, are Grand Gulf, on the Mississippi river, and Port Gibson, 7 miles from it, in the interior, Manchester, or Yazoo city, on the Yazoo, Grenada, on the Yalabusha, and Aberdeen and Columbus, on the Tombigby river. The latter is the north-eastern emporium of the state.

Map No. 12.—What state bounds Mississippi on the north? Te.—On the south? La., G.-Mo.—On the east? Aa.—On the west? As., La.—What river separates it from Louisiana and Arkansas? Mi.—On what river is Natchez? Jackson? Grand Gulf? Vicksburg? Manchester, or Yazoo city? Grenada? Columbus?—What is the population of each of these towns?—How many miles from the sea do steam-boats ascend the Tombigby? Tallahatchie? Yalabusha? Big Black? Pearl?—How far is Vicksburg from the sea? What kind of vessels ascend to it? In what county is Natchez? As.—Vicksburg? Wn.—Jackson? Hs.—Columbus? Ls.—Grand Gulf? Ce.

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LOUISIANA.

1. THE territory comprising this state, together with the vast region lying west of the Mississippi river, was formerly all called Louisiana, and was purchased from France by the United States' Government in 1803.

2. The country bordering the Mississippi, in this state, is generally lower than the surface of the water, and a large portion of it is protected by levées, or embankments of earth, nearly 200 miles along the shores of the river.

3. The great staples of Louisiana are sugar and cotton, but rice, corn, and tobacco, are also cultivated. A vast amount of capital is invested in the sugar business, in lands, slaves, &c., and the produce of that article has increased tenfold within twenty years; in 1845 it amounted to about 207 million pounds.

4. During the late war, a powerful British army invaded this state; of Vicksburg? How are ships brought up to this place? 8. The other towns?

Louisiana. Q.—1. What is said of the territory comprising this state? When was it purchased? 2. What is said of the country? 3. What are the great staples? 4. What took place during the late