

# VERMONT.

Population 332,422.....Rep. Plur. in 1892, 21,667

Rep. vote, 37,992; Dem. 16,325; Prohib. 1,415.

STATE CAPITAL, MONTPELIER.

VERMONT is the most northwesterly of the New England States, bounded north by Quebec, east by New Hampshire, south by Massachusetts, and west by New York. It is 143 miles long by from 40 to 85 miles wide, with a land area of 9,135 square miles. The Green Mountains traverse it from north to south, mainly in two ranges, generally covered with dense forests, but affording excellent pasturage. Western Vermont and a large tract of the eastern part comprise beautiful pastoral regions, but the central part is rugged and mountainous. The best soil is found on the western slope of the mountains near the border of Lake Champlain, and in the valley lands of the Connecticut River. The State occupies a prominent position in agriculture. When its area, population, amount of forest land, and long severe winters are considered, there is perhaps no other State that yields so large a return. All the ordinary agricultural staples are abundantly produced; wool and dairy products are large and excellent; cattle, sheep, and horses are raised in large numbers, and the yield of maple sugar is unequalled. Manufactures occupy a prominent position in its industries, and cover a wide range of goods, including flour, furniture, cotton and woolen goods, leather, agricultural tools, tin and copper ware, lumber, etc. Large quantities of lumber are exported, and marble and slate extensively quarried. The principal marble quarries are at Brandon, Dorset, Isle La Motte, Manchester, Middlebury, New Haven, Pittsford, Proctorsville, (serpentine), Roxbury (verd-antique), Rutland, Shelburn, Sutherland Falls, Swanton and West Rutland; slate quarries at Castleton, Fair Haven, Guilford, Northfield, Pawlet and Poultney granite at Barre and Brattleboro. Potters' clay comes from Bennington and Rutland; steatite from Castleton and Grafton. Manganese, brown hematite, kaolin and ochre from Brandon, South Wallingford and Manchester Centre; copper ore from Vershire and Corinth. Rutland is the largest marble centre in the world, not less than \$6,000,000 of capital and 4,000 men being employed in 15 quarries and 20 mills. The total output of marble in 1889 was 3,863,500 cubic feet. During the last ten years the development of the granite business at Barre, six miles from Montpelier, has been very large. Nearly \$2,000,000 of capital and 1,200 men are employed in it, while the 1889 output was 384,961 cubic feet. Burlington is a large large market for Vermont and Ottawa lumber, having extensive mills and a trade extending throughout the Eastern States. Vermont continues to be the greatest breeding state of fine horses (Morgans and Hambletonians) and of Spanish merino sheep. Every year numbers of these superior animals are shipped to all parts of this country, to South America and to Australia. There are 14 Counties in Vermont; newspapers are published in 13.

**ADDISON CO. (W.) .....Pop. 22,277**

Rep. vote in 1892, 3,146; Dem. 621; Pro. 123.

Level near the lake; rugged and mountains toward the east; soil fertile; quarries of white and veined marble. Products—Butter, cheese, hay, honey, wool, maple sugar, and potatoes very large; corn, wheat, buckwheat, with oats largely in excess; live stock. Manufactures principally lumber, iron, pulp, and wool. COUNTY SEAT, Middlebury, pop. 1,762.

Herald .....	Rep	Bristol	11,008
Register .....	Rep	Middlebury †	11,850
Temperance Herald (mo.)Temp		"	1300
Undergraduate (mo).....Coll.....		"	1450
Vermontier.....Rep		Vergennes	660

**BENNINGTON CO. (E.S.W.) Pop. 20,448**

Rep. vote in 1892, 2,196; Dem. 1,185; Pro. 69.

Mostly mountainous and hilly, with large forests; large quarries of white and gray marble. Products—Corn, oats, potatoes, hay, wool, dairy produce, and maple sugar; livestock, sheep prominent. Large manufactures of cotton and woolen goods, lumber, paper, etc. COUNTY SEAT, Bennington, pop. 3,671; and Manchester, pop. (township), 1,907.

Banner (s-wkly).....Rep	Bennington †	1,360	
Reformer .....	Ind	11,725	
Journal .....	Rep	Manchester †	11,500
Enterprise .....	Ind	Readsboro.....	660

CIRCULATION: †Publishers' reports. Roman figures—estimated. \*Sworn.  
POPULATION: Census of 1890. \*Estimated. †County Seat.