

## WHAT OUR PEOPLE DO.

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The Total Population is \$12,253 Whites and 8,840 Blacks, 21,093 Total.

Shelby County supports 45 manufacturing establishments which employs 4,180 hands. There are \$209,408 paid in wages to hands. The manufactories consume \$269,782 in materials, and their products are worth \$561,500.

There are 1,676 farms in Shelby, and they yield \$616,475 in field products. Their value is \$936,977 by assessed values for taxation, which is not much over half of their real value. The value of animals on the farms is \$310,672.

Merchants are chiefly collected in towns of which Columbiana, Calera, Montevallo, Wilsonville, Harpersville, Shelby Iron Works are the chief.

The following are towns, post office villages and trading points: Columbiana, (capital), Montevallo and Calera, (principal towns), Aldrich, Bridgeton, Cobb, Harpersville, Helena, Highland, Hotspur, Shelby Springs, Lewis, Longview, Pelham, Shelby Iron Works, Siluria, Spradley, Sterrett, Weldon and Wilsonville.

There are twenty-five doctors; sixteen lawyers. There are seventy-three miles of railroad; sixty-three miles of telegraph and five miles of telephone.

The assessable values of Shelby County are \$1,862,112.

The total amount of state, county and municipal taxes paid for the year 1886 was: State tax, \$17,150.41; county tax \$12,452.98.

There is no county debt.

There are ten prisoners now in jail, or one out of two hundred and twenty inhabitants in the county. Four of these are charged with capital offences.