8-4.1: Antebellum SC Notes

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| Antebellum | **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** = before the war  This term refers to the time period **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**. |
| SC Economy | Earlier in SC,\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ & **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** were staple crops in the lowcountry. The Upcountry was centered around small farms.  All that changed with the invention of the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** by Eli Whitney. |
| Cotton Gin | The cotton gin made cotton king. (Indigo fell to foreign markets & rice declined later). **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**.  In 1800, 25% of the families in the Upcountry owned slaves, 20 years later 40% did. |
| Political Power | Political power **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** between the lowcountry & upcountry with the increase of slavery.  By 1810, **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** had the right to vote in the state. |
| State of the Economy | While on the surface, SC’s economy looked prosperous there were **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** of trouble ahead:   * SC’s average wealth was high (but it lagged behind other southern states * Cotton was **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** * Population of SC had a **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** majority * Other ports started replacing Charleston port * Manufacturing failed to take off |
| Social Classes in SC | Antebellum SC was divided between the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (not just in the Lowcountry anymore), smaller white farmers, free blacks, and slaves. |
| Planters | * Owned **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** or more slaves * had most of the **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** & **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** power * had large homes * educated privately * managed the business of the plantation, but **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** * wives managed the household |
| Smaller Farmers | Smaller farmers who owned less slaves often worked **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** their slaves |
| Free Blacks | Free Blacks numbered 10,000 by 1860. Life was difficult. They had to **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** & register. Some owned slaves. They established a “**\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**” and distanced themselves from slaves. Often could be recaptured into slavery. |
| Slaves | Slaves’ lives depended entirely on their masters & what type of plantation they worked on.   * Rice plantation = **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** * Cotton plantation = **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** (much worse) |
| Average Day of a Slave | 5:00-Wake up  5:15-8:00: Work in the fields  8:00-8:15: Breakfast  8:15-1:00: Work in the fields  1:00-1:45: Midday Meal (Dinner)  1:45-Dark: Work in the fields  After they returned to their quarters, they tended their own gardens & ate a light supper. |
| Supervision & Punishments | Work was supervised by a white **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** or a black driver.  Punishments ranged from deprivation of food or privileges to **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** and loss of limbs. |
| Food & Housing | Slaves were fed with corn (cornbread, mush, grits, etc) and whatever meats & vegetables they managed on their own. Slave quarters were often cramped, with dirt floors & poor ventilation. |
| Other Horrors | Slaves had no protections. They risked **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** & rape or other cruelties by their masters. |
| Southern Justification | The Southerners **\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** any way they could (as necessary for the economy, Bible sanctioned, better than the treatment of Northern workers, necessary for the care of Africans, etc.) |