



A Bill to Promote Mendicancy: Facts and Figures Showing That the South Does Not Need Federal Aid for Her Schools (Classic Reprint)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Book Condition: New. 229 x 152 mm. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****.Excerpt from A Bill to Promote Mendicancy: Facts and Figures Showing That the South Does Not Need Federal Aid for Her Schools The revelations of illiteracy in the South made by the last national census produced a profound impression upon the country. Government in the United States is wielded by millions of voters, and the success of such a system obviously depends upon the intelligence of these voters. Every ignorant ballot is a threat to the community, and government by suffrage, where a majority of those who enjoy the suffrage cannot read the ballots which they cast, violates the very theory upon which our whole system is based. Yet it was shown in 1880 that in a number of Southern States nearly or quite half of the voters were illiterate. About three-fifths of South Carolina s population are negroes, and 78 per cent, of the male negroes were unable to write their own names, while 16 per cent, of the male whites were as badly off, making 52 per cent, of the whole number of both races....



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