



Immigration with Reference to Its Causes and Its Effects Upon the Growth and Ethnical Character of the Population of the United States (Classic Reprint) (Paperback)

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Forgotten Books, United States, 2015. Paperback. Condition: New. Language: English . Brand New Book ***** Print on Demand *****. Excerpt from Immigration With Reference to Its Causes and Its Effects Upon the Growth and Ethnical Character of the Population of the United States Of this population nearly 700,000, or over one-sixth of all, were negroes, held in slavery both in the South and North. No census had previously been attempted in any of the colonies. No effort was made to keep records of foreign passenger arrivals until 1820, and the foreign-born inhabitants of the country were not made the subject of separate census enumeration until 1850. Throughout the earlier history of the country we are, therefore, without definite statistical data to assist us in estimating the part played by natural increase and by immigration in determining the growth of population or its ethnical composition. Moreover, it takes little critical examination to show that some of the estimates that pass current with respect to these matters rest on very untrustworthy data. It, however, seems safe to say that by 1730 the population of the colonies was approaching 600,000. By this time also the political-religious disturbances in Europe which had been prominent...



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