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## Northern Negroes Are Superior to Southerners In Test of Intelligence

of Negro life, Dr. Otto Klingberg of the department of Anthropology, Columbia University, says: "A considerable quantity of evidence has been accumulated which indicates the superiority of Northern over Southern Negroes in the ability to solve the problems presented by the intelligence tests. The results obtained by the Negroes of the Southern States are well known; the Negro recruits from the North were markedly superior, and those from Ohio, Illinois, and New York made a better showing than those from the Southern States. The later studies of Negro children in different parts of the country gave the same result; on the average, the Negro children of the Northern States (about ten points in the intelligence quotient) in favor of Northern children and Western over South Negro children."


Most striking of all, however, are the results reported by Peters and Lanier in their interesting and important book, *Studies in the Comparative*

They gave a number of psychological tests to twelve-year-old white and Negro boys in Nashville, Chicago and New York. They found a marked superiority of whites over Negroes in Nashville, some superiority in Chicago, and no superiority whatever in New York. Not only are New York Negro boys far ahead of the Nashville Negroes; they are actually the equals of the New York whites.

"What of Negro 'intelligence,' as far as it can be studied by means of tests? It is true that in general white

Negroes. It is also true, however, that Negroes in the North do very much better than those in the South, and tend on the whole to approach very closely the standing of the whites. Since there is no evidence for a selective migration of the more intelligent Negroes northward, this result must be due to the superior Northern environment. The difference between white and Negro children in intelligence test scores tends to disappear as the environments of the

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