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Only six Southern Democrats voted with the Republicans this year.

East St. Louis is said to be the paradise of roughs and murderers.

Senator Jones still lags superfluous at Detroit. The Florida lunatic asylum is gaping for him—but he cometh not.

Three Minnesota Republicans voted for low taxes. They ought to have their names inscribed on Washington's monument.

When Congress adjourns the anxious members will hasten home to mend the fences which other aspirants have been so cleverly upsetting.

The republican platform favors tinkering with the tariff, but the members of that party in Congress refuse to tinker. They say one thing in their platform and vote the other way when in Congress.

The population of the New Hebrides, the islands seized by France in the west Pacific ocean, is rated at 50,000, very cruel, savage and inveterate cannibals.

Wayne county has led off for her favorite sons—Dorch, Strong and Galloway. The instruction for Judge Clark is a deserved tribute to that worthy and excellent judicial officer.

At last Raleigh seems in the way of getting her much needed water-works. The sooner the better. Our exemption from fire has been remarkable; let us not longer delay making reasonable provisions against such a dreadful calamity as has befallen some of our sister towns.

Col. Vickrey, the superintendent of this division of mails, has written a letter to postmaster Glennan complimenting him on the efficiency of the Norfolk postoffice and upon the success that has attended his efforts to obtain mail facilities for Norfolk.

In England and Scotland any parliamentary district can elect any citizen to represent it in parliament without regard to his non-residency.

Two years ago Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Ohio and California cast 36 Democratic votes against low taxes; this year they cast but 27 votes in that direction; but then they had 58 Democratic members and now they have but 41.

The demolitions now in progress at the north end of the Broadway, Blackfriars, have for the first time laid bare another portion of the old wall of London.

Senator Vance's bill to repeal the civil service law was defeated by 36 to 6. Mr. Randall's proposition in the House was defeated by 155 to 41.

Looking these votes squarely in the face and realizing that both political parties voted to sustain the law and but such a few voted against the law, it is fairly inferable that the law has come to stay. It will never be repealed.

Since the law then, is now advocated and supported by both parties and it is engrained forever on our government, it may be interesting to see what it is.

The father of it is Senator Pendleton, of Ohio, one of the foremost, truest and best democrats who ever spoke for democracy in the Senate of the United States.

Why did Senator Pendleton take up the question and pass the measure? Because the civil service at Washington was in a most abominable condition.

by the public, led a life of shame, and their presence in the departments was an insult to the virtuous female clerks employed there to write for the government rather than administer to the gratification of sensual officers.

Another evil was that republican men were appointed to clerkships who were utterly unfit for their duties and the people were heavily taxed to support these incompetent favorites of influential republicans.

These were some of the evils to be corrected. The two main features of the law are that the clerks shall not be assessed for political purposes and that neither politics nor favoritism shall have anything to do in appointing a clerk to a clerkship.

What offices does the law apply to? Technically speaking, the law does not apply to any office. It applies only to clerkships in the departments and to the postoffices and custom houses in the great cities.

It does not embrace a single person in the State of North Carolina. It affects no official or clerkship in which our people are at all interested.

Some of our friends erroneously suppose that because here and there in North Carolina a stray radical holds on to the civil service law is to blame for it. That is not so.

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The tremendous power of committees in the matter of legislation is seen in the action of the committee on education which quietly adjourned, not to meet again, leaving the Blair bill high and dry.

The demolition of these men they find that the advent of a Democratic administration heralds the dawn of a day when the greatest and most potent qualification to preferment is a record of hard fighting in the rebel army.

But I do not complain of the administration. A stream can not rise above its source. It owes its political life to the one hundred and fifty-three electoral votes it had ready to be cast from the States in which no contest was made.

Yesterday evening the convention devoted to the election of officers for the ensuing year, the result being as follows: President, J. I. McRee, Raleigh News and Observer; vice-presidents, T. B. Eldridge, Lexington Dispatch, H. C. Wall, Rookingham Boeket, and G. A. Frick, Shelby News Era; secretary and treasurer, J. H. Lindsay, Kernersville News and Farm; assistant secretary, J. D. Kernodle, Graham Gleaner.

The Fortnightly Review says brain work should be forbidden after dinner, and the interval between it and bedtime be devoted to recreation and amusement.

Republican Haggard. A RATHER LIVELY DEBATE IN THE HOUSE. Mr. Grosvenor (Rep.). Mr. Chairman, on the 9th day of June the gentleman from Illinois (Mr. Townsend, Dem.) in debate upon this bill used the following language:

"I am warranted in making the statement, sir, that if you will ascertain the number of Republican soldiers who have been removed from office under this administration it can be shown that an equal number of Democratic soldiers have been appointed."

And on the 10th of June the same gentleman used the following language: "Yet the aggregate of the soldiers appointed under Cleveland's administration is equal to if not greater than the aggregate number of soldiers removed."

I call the attention of the committee to the fact that in speaking of the removals the distinguished gentleman used the words "Republican soldiers," and in speaking of the appointments he used the words "Democratic soldiers."

Now, Mr. Chairman, I claim that these removals and appointments have been made without regard and in direct violation of sections 1546 and 1754 of the Revised Statutes.

I hold in my hand the annual address of the department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic of the State of Virginia; and in that I find a correspondence which I will embody in my remarks touching this identical question.

I insist, Mr. Chairman, that this record shows conclusively that the practice of the current administration of the government is to remove men from office in violation of these statutes.

I complain of it; I oppose it; I denounce it. There are all over the country loyal Union ex-soldiers whom, I regret to say, are Democrats. I am sorry it is so.

To the amazement of these men they find that the advent of a Democratic administration heralds the dawn of a day when the greatest and most potent qualification to preferment is a record of hard fighting in the rebel army.

But I do not complain of the administration. A stream can not rise above its source. It owes its political life to the one hundred and fifty-three electoral votes it had ready to be cast from the States in which no contest was made.

Mr. Rowell (Republican), Mr. Chairman, I have no doubt that when the Democracy came into power they found a very large proportion of the offices filled by Republicans.

In the city in which I live there were seven free delivery clerks when this administration came into power, five of whom were Union soldiers and one of the other two was the son of a Union soldier.

King George, of Greece, is arranging to make a tour abroad.

SMOKER MEATS—Smoked Jowls, very choice Virginia Ham, Magnolia Ham, Ferris Ham, best Tongues, California Ham, Meats of every description.

They all went off, and not a single Union soldier was appointed in their place. One of the men appointed had often boasted upon the streets of Bloomington that he had served in the Confederate army.

The outgoing Republican postmaster was a Union soldier, conspicuous for his gallantry. His successor was not a soldier. That he is a good citizen and makes a good officer I fully concede.

Good men were appointed free delivery clerks from the Democratic party; good men were appointed in the postoffice. I have no objection to the kind of men appointed, or to the kind of service they give us, except that under Democratic rule it takes two more free delivery clerks to do the work than it did under the Republican rule.

In Springfield, Ill., the United States marshal, district attorney and collector of internal revenue—all Republican Union soldiers—have been superseded by Democrats, who were not soldiers.

As regards Confederate soldiers appointed by Republican administrations I call the attention of the gentleman to the fact that wherever a Confederate soldier has become a conspicuous Republican he has been conspicuously boycotted by his Confederate associates.

Mr. Curtin (Democrat). Mr. Chairman, I hear complaints on this floor that men who in the war were on the side of the States in insurrection hold seats here. Some of those men are maimed and crippled.

Mr. Steele (Democrat). I would pension all disabled soldiers. The civil service law distresses my Democratic friends. If we take statements, not only from our side but from yours, it is said to be true that in some departments of the pension office seventy out of seventy-four appointees under this law are Democrats.

Texas Style. A little man in a red shirt and blue pantaloons was gallantly ushered into the police station yesterday.

Dr. Oikie, Alfred Freeman, Cheverton, F. H. S. Maberly, M. R. C. S. and Dr. Bernard, F. R. C. P., and Dr. Arthur Guinness, M. D., F. R. C. S., physicians of great renown in England, and many leading physicians in this country, are prescribing and endorsing Ferris' Extract as the great remedy for all forms of inflammation, hemorrhages, piles, sore throat, boils, burns, sprains, and kindred diseases.

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