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Civil Service Reform. Pure—Simple—Unadulterated. "Turn the rascals out."

Justice claims this. Senator Edmunds is in England, explaining law.

What a great peace maker is a wise Prime Minister!

Don't forget that Ike Young is still in this State an officer, O, Democratic Administration.

We saw a few weeks ago in several of our exchanges that a little boy of nine years made a journey by rail, and that he took along a Homer to read for amusement.

PARTISAN.

What or who is a partisan? Is it necessary for one to speak at every cross roads in his county, to curse his opponents, to spend his money and to fight before he can be styled a partisan, and an offensive one?

BLACKBURN.

It was current a few weeks ago that Hon. Jos Blackburn, of Kentucky, had used rough language to the President, on account of certain appointments in Tennessee.

RIGHT.

Out of the word "incomprehensibility" a Connecticut lady made 2,248 different words.—Ex. And made a fool of herself for her trouble.

For our part, we hold that any body male or female, who has wealth without using it generously ought to lose it. And by some strange law of nature they DO lose it.

SENSE.

"That respect, love and veneration for the Constitution which animated the citizens of the United States before the war had now departed from our people, and that the system of government erected by our forefathers existed only in name;

MIS-SPENT ENERGY—LOAFERS.

The mountain torrent may carry with it enough power to turn a thousand looms, but it will be useless unless it is caught up and turned into the right channel.

If loafers would pursue some honorable avocation with as much zeal and energy as they waste in whittling away dry goods boxes, they would reap the fruits of their labors in a more honorable and praiseworthy living and the community thus afflicted would call itself blessed in the happy change.

Of all men, loafers have our praise. When they die—and this is one instance when the good do not die young—we would write them a eulogy and head it something like this: "Triumph of Energy."

"TURN THE RASCALS OUT."

The people of the South have been very much disgusted at the slowness with which the President is relieving them from the horde of unprincipled ed office holders, who have so long been preying upon them while in the employment of the government.

The President has lately begun removing the office holders in Virginia. The click of the official guillotine is music to the ear of all good men as it drops the heads of the Virginian office holders to the ground.

South. The Free Press rejoices that the sky is brighter for democratic office seekers, and all good men in the South who desire to see the offices filled by men who command the respect and good will of the best people.

TO DEMOCRATS WISHING AN OFFICE.

You wish a clerkship under the best Government the world ever saw. You wish to weigh mail bags. That place is worth \$1,200 a year.

But what of that? Party service ain't denice high, compared to civil service.

Come up here, you honest, and therefore poor, Democratic bog bather. You wish to weigh mail bags?

"Can you weigh a mail bag?" "Yes."

"Can you weigh it correctly and put the figures down, add them up correctly, and tell how many newspapers, etc. left on train No. 4, night run, Buzzleton & Squizzleton R. R.?"

"Yes."

"Are you a Democrat at all times and under all circumstances?"

"Yes."

"Have you donea thousand times more for the Democratic party than it ever has for you?"

"Yes."

"All right. We will now show you what a low-down, miserable country Democrat you are. Take off your hat, sit up straight, throw out your chest, look the Goddess of Liberty and the Returning Board straight in the eye, and answer these questions."

"What is Dalton's atomic theory?" Page 107, Civil Service questions.

"Don't know."

"Define the difference between shading and shade lines, and indicate the same by a proper reference to an isometric view of a cube?" Page 110, Civil Service questions.

"I can't."

"In an alphabetical list of names, where would you place the following foreign names; Edward, Earl of Cathness; J. H. Merle d'Aubigne, Thomas De Quinsee Vasco da Gama, Salgaigne de Lamplire Fenelon Dom Pedro de Alcantara, Benjamin Disraeli, Earl of Beaconsfield; Gustav von Kraysstache Erben. Don Jose Garcia Nunez. Gaston Chanaan de Briailles?" Page 110, Civil Service questions.

"I would roll them up in a bag and sit on them!"

"Next! Where are the tarsal bones the dorsal vertebrae; the tendon achilles. What and where is the pericardium?" Page 116, Civil Service questions.

"Don't know, but I think they are out in the hen-coop"

"If a letter-carrier in delivering letters takes 47,520 steps in a day, each step averaging 30 inches, how many miles does he walk a mile being 5,280 feet?" Page 122 Civil Service questions.

"Not any, if he can get a chance to ride."

"Correct. What are the chief sources of revenue to the General Government?" Page 130 Civil Service questions.

"Tax on United States bonds, National banks, navy-yard contracts, etc."

"No sir. You are off wrong. What are the chief sources of revenue of the majority of the Republican office-holders?"

"Please, sir; it is not policy to tell!"

"What is meant by res adjudicata and stare decisis?" Page 98, Civil Service questions.

"I dont know. Please, sir, let me go home! I'll never ask for another office again. Will never vote another Democratic ticket!"

That is right. Go home and stay there. As you work and starve, remember to pay your taxes and to abandon all idea of ever being more than a plain common, stay-at-home, vote-as-you-are-told Democrat. Preserves are only for company. Mush and milk are good enough for you.—U. S. Democrat.

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