

There are many indications that the coming session of Congress will produce an unprecedented degree of interesting developments connected with the existing management of our nation's affairs.

Although the interests of politicians, under the plea of party necessities, has kept the lines compact, and prevented investigation from being carried to conviction and punishment, yet enough leaked out and run over to alarm the people and save the country; and now the cohesiveness of the party being destroyed—all of the leaders, from the President down, of the dominant faction, being at out-

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Although we suppose the postal department affords the greatest illustration of the possibilities of the civil service, yet in other departments we see as well that "some things can be done as well

others?" for instance what would the country have thought 15 years ago, if the Secretary of the navy had quietly appropriated a government steamer of 600 tons, to the pleasant uses of himself and friends? have had her fitted out gorgeously, and recently altered, repaired and refitted at an expense to the government of over \$50,000? Then comes the story from Gloucester navy yard; where 15000 fileneers, vagrants and what-nots were gathered two months before the election, and paid double wages for all that time, that Mr. Banks might be defeated for Congress, through these 15000 emboldened voters; the result is that the appropriation for this navy yard is exhausted; and some 5 or 600 professional, regular laborers thrown out of employment for the winter.

The "Cotton claim" business, for the special use of Butler, Chandler, et al. is another "one of our" the history of which, in brief, is that the government has already paid out \$300,000 in guaranteeing \$1,000,000 of claims; we may reasonably suppose however that this concern has not been barren of incidents, where so large amounts are disbursed through an ex-army officer, dismissed for embezzlement and an ex-detective.

Then there is the "District Ring," which appointed by the administration, has in half the time in which we had a debt of \$10,000,000, contracted one of double the amount.

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He it ordained, That a tax for the fiscal year 1874, be and is hereby levied upon all real and personal property on the dollars valuation thereof, within the town of Greenville, as follows: For general purposes, 10 mills For fire, 1 " For R. R., 1 "

Be it ordained by the Town Council of Greenville, That on and after the passage of this ordinance it shall be unlawful for any Merchant, Grocer, Cotton Broker, Butcher, Milk Wagon, and Milk Vendors, Candy Shop, exclusively, Eating Houses, or Eating Stalls, Livery Stables, and Sales Stables, Lawyers, Doctors, and Engineers, Barber Shops, Mechanics engaged in building, Lumber Yard, Cotton Gins, Wharf-boats, Blacksmiths, Gunsmiths, Merchant Tailors, Saddler's Shops, Blacksmith's Shops, Shoe Shops, Tin Shops to do business in the town of Greenville until they shall have paid to the City Marshal, and obtained a receipt for the same, which receipt shall specify the particular business to be carried on and shall be good for twelve months from the date of said receipt, a privilege tax as follows:

- All Merchants and Grocers, and Store Keepers, \$ 10 Cotton brokers, 10 Butchers' shops, 10 Milk wagons, 10 Candy shops exclusively, 10 Eating houses, or eating stalls, 10 Livery stables, 10 Sales stables, 10 Lawyers, doctors and engineers each, 10 Barber shops, 10 Mechanics engaged in building, 10 Lumber yards, 10 Gin houses, 10 Wharf-boats, 10 Blacksmiths, 10 Gunsmiths, 10 Silver smiths, 10 Shoemakers, 10

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List of Lands in Bolivar County, Mississippi, delinquent for Levee Construction Tax (2 mills) for fiscal year 1873. All persons interested will take notice that at the term of the Chancery Court of Bolivar county, State of Mississippi, to be held on the third Monday of April, 1875, or if that term shall have passed, then at the first term of said Court hereafter, the Board of Levee Commissioners for the counties of Bolivar, Washington and Issaquena will move the said Chancery Court for an order to sell the following described lands reported as delinquent for the payment of the taxes due herein and unpaid, to wit:

Table with columns: Part of Section, Township, Range, County, Acres, and other details. Lists various land parcels and their owners.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI. Bolivar County. I, B. K. BRUCE, Sheriff and Tax Collector of said county, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct list of the lands in said Bolivar county delinquent for the Construction Levee Tax for the year 1873, together with the State, County and Liquidating Levee Tax for said year.

B. K. BRUCE, Sheriff and Tax Collector. By I. V. REAL, Deputy Sheriff. Sworn to and subscribed before me, this 26th day of May, A. D. 1874. BY JOHN DAVIES, D. C. (seal) H. T. FLOREY, Clerk. Attorneys for Board of Levee Commissioners, for Bolivar, Washington & Issaquena Co's.

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