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#### UNCLE SAM'S CIVILIAN ARMY.

According to the latest official list there are 19,446 public functionaries of various kinds and degrees employed exclusively in the District of Columbia in conducting the numerous departments and bureaus of the federal government. These are the civilian appointees in the executive departments, and do not include members of congress and several hundred employes of the houses who vibrate between the capital and their homes in other parts of the country.

The monthly compensation of these 19,446 civilian employes amounts to \$1,635,708.81, or the enormous annual total of \$19,628,505.72. It is a somewhat curious fact that the average pay of these 19,446 civilian employes, including supreme court justices, cabinet officers, assistant secretaries, chiefs of bureaus and hundreds of others with high salaries, is reduced to almost precisely \$1000 a year, which is explained by the fact that the great majority are only modest subordinates, messengers, laborers, charwomen, etc., drawing in some cases only a few dollars a month.

In the selection of these executive officials there is a popular belief that the appointing power is governed by an unwritten law of equity, which compels a fair distribution of prizes among the states of the Union. When a senator or representative wishes to shut off an importunate candidate for office, the poor devil is sometimes informed that the quota of his state is already overdrawn. This is all a "fake." It is a mere grab game, a matter of acquaintanceship and personal favoritism largely. The chief elements controlling the

result are vicinage and opportunity to press one's claims.

The little District of Columbia, otherwise the city of Washington, with a population under three hundred thousand, holds as many places under the government as the six states of New York, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio, Massachusetts and Indiana combined, with a population of nearly twenty-eight millions. The little state of Maryland, buttressing the District on the north, stands ahead of all the other states except New York. Virginia, on the south side, holds as many government officers here as Pennsylvania. If the Marylanders and Virginians in office who stand charged up to the District of Columbia were credited properly to their respective states, each would lead New York and Pennsylvania by a large majority.

A large proportion of the District's office holders are the sons and daughters and relatives of old office holders from other quarters and of army and navy officers. Thus whole families are known to be quartered upon the government. This is not because of the superiority of the material thereabouts, but is a consequence of the facilities offered by contiguity for presenting, day after day, year in and year out, claims for recognition. The distant states fare poorly, because their citizens have neither time nor money to waste in prosecuting their claims so far away from home.

A notable feature of the foregoing exhibit is that the far southern states, generally in opposition politically, are even better represented in the offices than many of the republican western states in the same class in respect of population. This is proof of how little partisanship there really is nowadays in the business of clerical appointments at the capital.

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