

from the course which has been pursued under recent administration of the government. The facts are as follows: The whole number of executive appointments during the four years immediately preceding Mr. Garfield's assassination was 2,696, of this number 244, or 9 per cent, involved the removal of previous incumbents. The number of removals to the whole number of appointments must be the same during each of those four years. In the first year there were 790 appointments and 74 removals, or 9.3 per cent; in the second, 917 appointments, there were 85 removals, or 9.2 per cent; in the third, with 480 appointments there were 48 removals, or 10 per cent; in the fourth, with 429 appointments there were 37 removals, or 8.6 per cent. In the four months President Garfield's administration there were 290 appointments and 89 removals, or 30.7 per cent. Precisely the same number of removals has taken place in the fourteen months which have since elapsed, but they constitute only seven eighths per cent of the whole number of appointments, one and one eighth, within that period, and less than six sixths of the entire list of officials, 3459, exclusive of the army and navy, which is filled by presidential appointment. I declare my approval of such legislation as may be found necessary for supplementing the existing provisions of law in relation to POLITICAL APPOINTMENTS.

In July last I authorized a public announcement that employees of the government should regard themselves at liberty to exercise their pleasure in making or helping to make political contributions or refusing to make contributions and that their action in that regard would in no manner affect their official status. In this announcement I acted on the view which I had always maintained and still maintain that public officers should be absolutely free to give or withhold a contribution for the aid of the political party of their choice. It has, however, been urged, and doubtless not without foundation, that by the solicitation of superiors and by other means such contributions have at times been obtained from persons whose only motive for giving has been fear of what might befall them if they refused. It is without saying that such contributions are not voluntary. In my judgment their collection should be prohibited by law. A bill which will effectually suppress them will receive my cordial approval.

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I hope that, however urgent and numerous may be the demands on your attention, the interests of this district will not be forgotten. The denial to its residents of the great right of suffrage in its relations to national, state and municipal affairs imposes on congress the duty of affording the best administration which its wisdom can devise. The report of the district commissioners indicates certain measures whose adoption would seem to be very desirable. I instance in particular those which relate to arrears of taxes of steam railroads, and to the assessment of real property.

MISCELLANEOUS.
THE ELECTORAL COUNT.
Among the questions which have been the topic of recent debate in the halls of congress, none are of greater gravity than those relating to the ascertainment of the vote for presidential electors, and the amendment of the constitution in its provisions for devolving executive functions upon the vice president when the president suffers from inability to discharge the powers and duties of his office. I trust that no embarrassment may result from a failure to determine these questions before another national election.

THE CLOSING YEAR.
has been replete with blessings which we owe to the giver of all good; for the uninterrupted harmony of our foreign relations; for the death of sectional animosities; for the abundance of our harvests and the triumphs of our mining and manufacturing interests; for the prevalence of health; for the spread of intelligence and the conservation of the public interest; for the growth of the country in all elements of national greatness—for these and countless other blessings we should rejoice and be glad. I trust that under the inspiration of this great prosperity our councils may be harmonious, and that the dictates of prudence, patriotism, justice and economy may be the adoption of measures in which the congress and the executive may heartily unite.

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