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DEMOCRATIC MISRULE.

A Tax Payer of Lafourche has been enlightening the people of that parish on various points connected with the administration of the interests of Louisiana by the Democratic party. When the charge and control of the State, the judiciary cost annually less than $55,000. Since the new system inaugurated by the Convention of 1846, the number of Judges and District Attorneys was about double—that is, the 10 Judges were increased to 21, and the 10 Attorneys to 17. While $55,000—the sum required to defray the expenses of the judiciary—the same expenditure was augmented at a single sitting to $106,000, as follows:

Supreme Courts	895,000
District Courts	63,300
Assessors	11,500
Attorney-General, Clerks	3,500
Reporter of the Supreme Court	9,300

On the pretext for this profligate waste of public moneys was the increased wants of the State—the real motive was the necessity of providing for a large batch of office-office-seekers. A host of small democratic lawyers were clamorous for office. They had toiled for the party, and claimed remuneration. Hence this wholesale creation of judicial districts.

The Democratic party have invariably cried the cry of retrenchment and reform, and have more than once thus succeeded in blinding and misleading the people.—Now, shrewd politicians hold the words of promise to our lips, and break them to our hopes. Nothing can exceed the fervor of their zeal for the true interests of the State, before an election. Nothing can surpass their selfish regard for themselves, after a victory. Retrenchment with them means providing fat offices for favorites; and reform signifies the total disregard of the Constitution and the laws, whenever they interfere with the pro-pecta of the party.

The illustration of the Swamp Land affords an excellent illustration of the manner in which these custodians of the welfare perform the trust confided to them. This fund has been so managed, that our public lands are fast falling a prey of unprincipled speculators, through the connivance of those appointed to administer them, and to enrich their value to the State and people.

A Tax Payer

Such abuses cannot fail to have been carried, that a public opinion, caused the Democratic Legislature to investigate the charges and exposition made by a gentleman of the Democratic party. The chairman of the Committee, Messrs Hebert and Simmes, who were to find a report as the circumstances would admit, yet present the most convincing and unanswerable proof of waste of the Swamp Land funds generally; and conclusive evidence of the Second District, the leaving the Legislature to promote the interest of a high functionary of Louisiana, and his associate or a Swamp Land Commissioner, in the Swamp Lands.

The majority of this report was a refusal to make the usual appropriation for carrying on this branch of the public service.

Yet that these are not vague assertions is evinced by the report of the Joint Committee. Mr. Jaskins, the Commissioner of the First District, states in his annual report, that he has commenced a series of works to drain and reclaim the Swamp Lands of the Island. The whole area of Island is 37,103 acres, of which about 1,000 acres accrued to the State under a donation from Congress. Of these 600 acres, the greater portion was entered at one dollar and twenty-five cents per acre within a short time after the donation, claiming it by the friends of the State became known. Says the report:

"Here am this tract of country Mr. Jenkins a ready made contracts amounting to $16,259 45, and contemplates an additional outlay of $10,000 necessary to complete the work, which will make the aggregate sum $105,291 00 and add to this the expenses of the department, which should be done, as the public work undertaken in his District, the Swamp Land Commissioner's Office in New Orleans, the Swamp Land Island expends $110,000.

A Tax Payer elucidates the subject further in the following brief, but forcible style:

The committee report that Mr. Miller, Swamp Land Commissioner of the Second District, engaged in the name of John Shibell, 14,000 acres of land, and he necessary to complete the work, and to