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Cotton Sold to the Confederate States, 62nd Congress, 3rd Session, Senate Document 987, Serial #6348.

1st alphabet: Ala., Ark, Fla, Ga., La., Miss, & S.C.

2nd alphabet: Texas Cotton Bureau at Houston, Texas

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Reimbursements for allegedly loyal Southern citizens who suffered damages or losses arising form the war.

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Tried and/or investigated thousands of Confederate and Union civilians and military personnel involved in fraud, draft resistance, trading with enemy, military desertion, and sea blockade running.

Baker covered the District of Columbia and Virginia.

Turner also did those who sought employment in the Provost Marshall's office.

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Concerns supplies sold to the army or seized by the army in the field

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Series II, vol. 2, deals entirely with suspected and disloyal persons.

Contains many list of prisoners: some given residence, date of arrest and confinement, and prison

Register of Confederate Soldiers, Sailors, and Citizens Who Died in Federal Prisons and Military Hospitals in the North, 1861-1865.

Name of deceased, rank, company, regiment, date of death, and location of grave; also private citizens

Unfiled Papers and Slips Belonging in Confederate Compiled Service Records. M347, 442 rolls.

Union Provost Marshals' File of Papers Relating to Individual Citizens. M345, 300 rolls.

Alphabetical by name; a rough index to the next source below.

Concerns deserters, spies, disloyal citizens to the Union

Detainees

Records of paroles and oaths of allegiance

Travel within the border states

Civilians charged with violations of military law

Military personnel charged with violation of civil law.

Passes: persons in areas under Union control seeking to visit friends and relatives in prison

Merchants wishing to transport goods

Northerners who spoke ill of President

Union Provost Marshals' File of Papers Relating to Two or More Citizens. M346, 94 rolls.

Divided into five parts:

a. geographical and subject

- b. chronological and numbered
- c. chronological and unnumbered
- d. prisoners: civilians and military by name of prison
- e: confiscated/destroyed property

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1863 President Lincoln's offer of amnesty.

President Johnson limited pardons to those who owned more than \$20,000 in property.

Applications from 14,000 properties persons to stave off confiscation of lands and assets.

III. Claims

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For Southerners who damages or losses during the war

22,298 claims

Only 7,0922 were successful

Arranged by state, thereunder by county, name of claimant, and amount of money involved

The claimant could be the in-law who filed the claim or the executor/administrator of an estate

Money was the goal. Set losses higher to ensure you will receive the just amount.

Affidavits from 220,000 witnesses [neighbors, kinsmen, ex-slaves]

Proof of relationships, proof of legal rights [therefore, probates, letters, Bibles, inventories,

Took testimony from friends and enemies, former slaves,

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Civil War income tax of 1861 was the first one paid by individual residents of the U.S. It was a progressive tax. 3% on income become \$600 and \$10,000

5% on income over \$10,000

It generated \$55,000,000 during the war.

The tax continued to 1872.

Each state/territory subdivided into collection districts; they could not exceed the number of congressional districts.

Lists have name of person or business firm, taxable period, pertinent remarks, article or occupation taxed, and a notation on payment.

Much more likely to catch certain categories of people missed by the 1870 census.

- 1. itinerant peddlers and retail dealers
 - a. long boats: river and canal merchants

Civil War Tax in Louisiana.

Internal Revenue Assessment Lists for [-----], 1865-1866. AL M754, 6 rolls; AR M755. 2 rolls; CA M757, 33 rolls; CO M757, 3 rolls; CN M758, 23 rolls; DE M759, 8 rolls; DC M760, 8 rolls; FL M761, 1 roll; GA M;758, 23 rolls; ID M763, 1 roll; IL M764, 63 rolls; IN M756, 42 rolls; IA M766, 16 rolls; KS M767, 3 rolls; KY M768, 24 rolls; LA M769, 16 rolls; ME M770, 15 rolls; MD M771, 21 rolls; MI M733, 15 rolls; MN M774, 3 rolls; MS M775, 3 rolls; MO M776, 22 rolls; MT M777, 1 roll; NV M779, 2 rolls; NH M780, 2 rolls; NC M782, 2 rolls; PA M787, 107 rolls; RI M788, 2 rolls; SC M789, 2 rolls; TX M791, 2 rolls; VA M793, 6 rolls; NY & NJ M603, 218 rolls; OR M1631, 2 rolls; & TN T227, 6 rolls.

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Nurses in northern military hospitals eventually became eligible to be admitted to Union soldiers' homes.

[US[] Registers of Veterans at National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers. M1749.

XL C.S.A. Pensions

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XI. USA Pensions

General Index to Pension Files, 1861-1934.

Act of 1862: widow of veteran, dependent child under 16, dependent mother [could only claim her pension for one son], orphan sibling of veteran under 16

Act of 1865: to widow [if she remarried, it ceased and went to children under 16]

Act of 1866: to dependent fathers Act of 1892 Women performing nursing duties in Northern military hospitals became eligible

Children under the age of 16 whose fathers died in or after the service.

XII. Bounty Land

Miller, Thomas L. Texas Confederate Scrip Grantees, C.S.A.

Disabled surviving veterans

Widows of those killed or died in service

Applied in county court

1280 acres

cost of survey amounted to half of the acreage

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