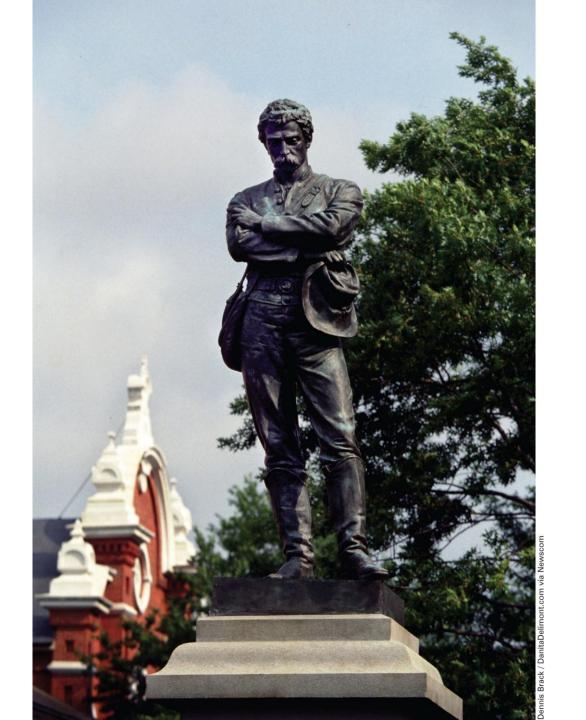


# Chapter 16 Reconstruction, 1865–1877





# What do you think?

Reconstruction had some significant achievements but was ultimately a failure.

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#### Freedmen, Freedwomen

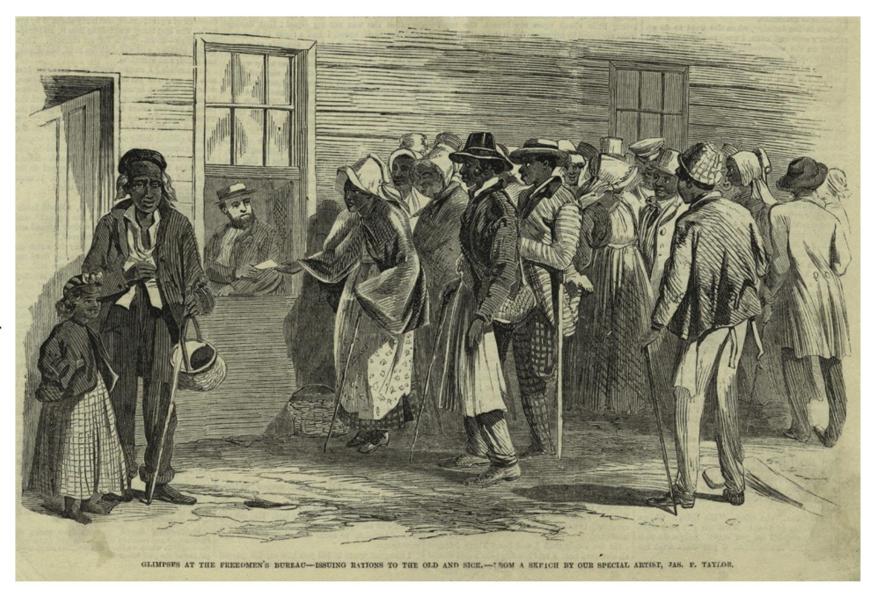
 After the Civil War, black Americans encountered a new world of opportunities

#### The Freedmen's Bureau

- Congress designed the Freedmen's Bureau to:
  - build and manage new schools
  - provide food and medical care to needy southern black and white people
  - ensure equal access to the judicial system for southerners, both black and white

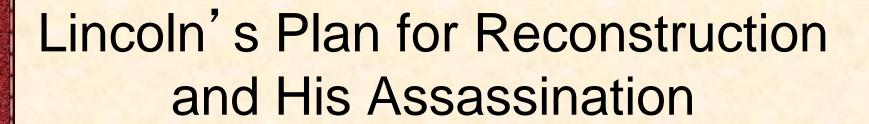


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# Political Plans for Reconstruction

 Before the war was over, President Lincoln had pondered what it would take to bring the South back into the union



- Congress Bristles
- Lincoln's Assassination

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- Presidential Reconstruction, 1865–1867
- Black Codes



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#### Congressional Reconstruction

- The Radical Republicans
- The Radicals versus Johnson
- The Fourteenth Amendment
- Congressional Reconstruction, 1867– 1877
- The Second Reconstruction Act
- Frustrations



Map 16.1. Reconstruction in the South

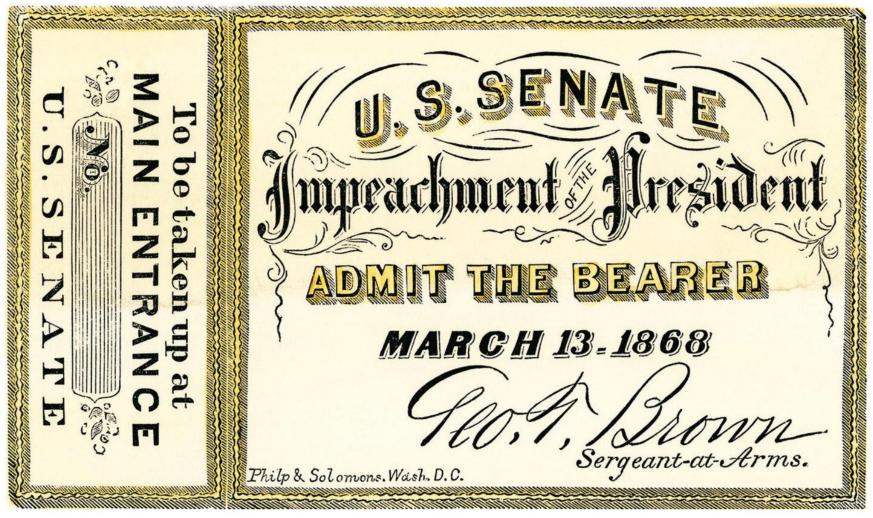
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# Johnson's Impeachment

- The Tenure of Office Act
- The Impeachment

#### The Fifteenth Amendment

 The Fifteenth Amendment prohibited any state from denying citizens the right to vote on the grounds of race, color, or previous condition of servitude



### Women's Rights

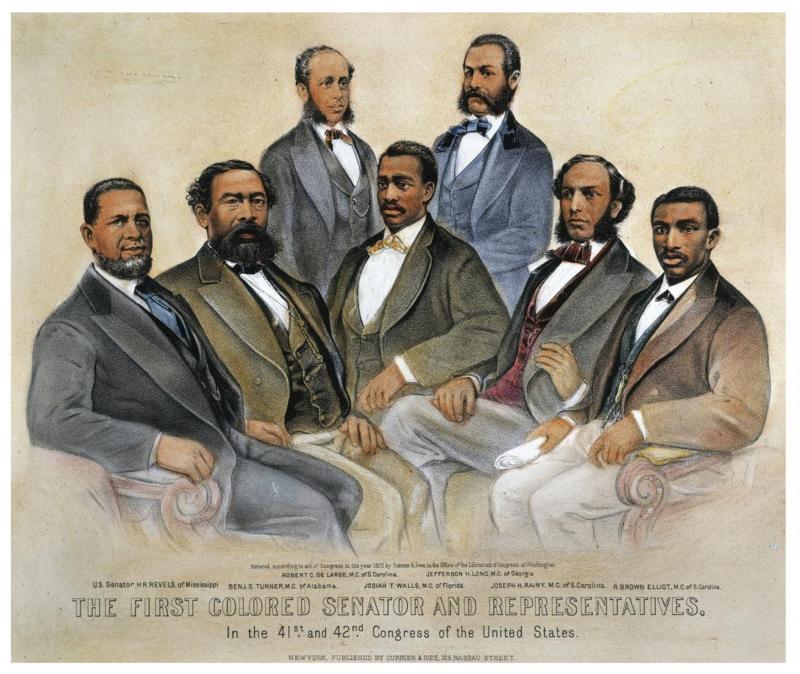
 Activist women pushed for a reform of marriage laws, changes in inheritance laws, and the vote

## Grassroots Reconstruction

 Reconstruction at the state level was even more rancorous

#### **Black Officeholders**

 More than 2,000 black citizens gained political office in the Reconstruction South



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## Carpetbaggers and Scalawags

Southern Republican Successes

# Sharecropping

- The Battle of Labor
- The Sharecropping System
- Convict Leasing



- Growing northern disinterest in the plight of America's southern black population
- Southern resistance to Reconstruction

#### In the North

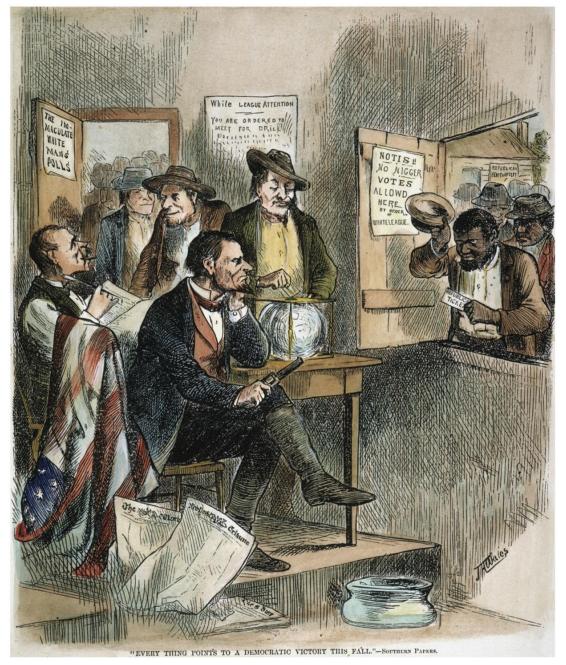
- Civil Rights Act of 1875
- Civil Rights Cases
- Panic of 1873



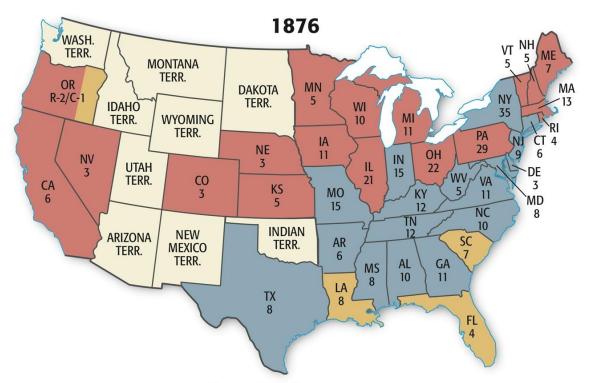
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#### In the South

- Intimidation of Black and Republican Voters
- Terror in the Heart of Freedom
- Grant's Response
- The Mississippi Plan
- "Redeemers" Win the Presidential Election of 1876
- The Compromise of 1877



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Candidate (Party)	Uncontested Electoral Vote	Electoral Vote		Popular Vote	
Hayes (Republican)	165	185	50%	4,036,572	48.0%
Tilden (Democrat)	184	184	50%	4,284,020	51.0%

Contested

Territories



## **Map 16.2.** The Disputed Election of 1876

What else was happening			
1865	William Bullock invents printing press that can feed paper on a continuous roll and print both sides of the paper at once.		
1867	Bullock dies of gangrene after getting caught in his own invention.		
1867	Benjamin Disraeli helps pass the 1867 Reform Bill in Britain, which extends the franchise to all male householders, including, for the first time, members of the working class.		
1869	Opening of the Suez Canal in Egypt connecting the Mediterranean Sea and the Red Sea, allowing water travel between Asia and Europe without having to navigate around Africa.		
1870	First New York City subway line opens.		
1871	Euphemia Allen, age sixteen, composes simple piano tune "Chopsticks."		
1873	Mark Twain patents the scrapbook.		