The following excerpt is from the Thirteenth Amendment which was passed by the U.S. Congress on December 6, 1865. After reading it, chose which statement best summarizes the Amendment.

"Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction."

A. The Thirteenth Amendment freed all slaves and therefore allowed them the same rights as all other citizens of the United States.

B. The Thirteenth Amendment freed all slaves which now allowed therefore allowed any type of discrimination.

C. The Thirteenth Amendment outlawed slavery but did not specify an African-American’s political rights.

D. The Thirteenth Amendment brought about an end to the Civil War since it outlawed slavery.

**Answer**

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