

San Antonio Express.

VOL. II.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, SATURDAY, DEC. 28, 1867.

NO. 10.

Doctors.

DR. F. HERFF,
Respectfully announces to his friends that he has resumed practice in the city. Office, at Nette's Drug store, on Commerce street.

DR. NOHL,
CITY PHYSICIAN,
Residence: opposite Green's east side of the river.
Office hours before eight o'clock A. M., and from 2 to 4 P. M. (dec. 5-dw 1f.)

MORTIMER SLOCUM, M. D.,
Tenders his services to those citizens of San Antonio who wish to have medicine administered according to the Homoeopathic Law of cure.
Office on Main street, two doors west of Post-Office.

NOTICE.

HAVING been educated as Midwife in Germany, and having done business as such with good success for long years, I solicit the patronage of the public of San Antonio and its neighborhood, and promise to justify the confidence which the public may place in me.
My residence is Alamo street, near Feldmann's Bakery.

MARY ELAERE,
San Antonio, August 30, 1866. no49-1f

MRS. ECKEL,
Graduate of "Marburg Institute Europe," offers her services to the people of San Antonio as Midwife. Her long and varied experience in this service renders her one of the best professions.
Residence, Main Avenue, opposite house of Mr. William Elliot. 6-ly.

Lawyers.

W. B. LEIGH, A. DITTMAR,
LEIGH & DITTMAR,
LAWYERS,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
OFFICE FRANK'S BUILDING, ROOM NO. 15. 1474-dw1f

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ATTORNEY AT LAW,
414-3nd-st
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Notaries Public,
COMMERCIAL STREET,
Two doors east of Nette's Drug Store, sep15y
SAN ANTONIO.

W. B. BOWEN, A. S. WALKER,
BOWERS & WALKER,
ATTORNEYS AT LAW,
Office—Congress Avenue,
(no. 11-1) Austin, Texas.

JESSE STANCEL,
Attorney & Counsellor at-Law,
GALVESTON, TEXAS.
Prompt Attention to Business.
May-17, 1866. no34ly

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Klopper Hotel.
FIRST CLASS ENTERTAINMENT!
Mrs. KLOPPER calls the attention of her friends to the extra facilities for travelers with teams. Attached to her house is a spacious yard fronting on the river, where any quantity of stock can be secured.
141f
Commerce street, San Antonio.

WASHINGTON HOTEL,
Galveston, Texas.
N. F. THOMPSON,
Proprietor.
146-ly

THE TARDE HOUSE,
CASTROVILLE, TEXAS.
The above named well-known Hotel is open for the accommodation of the traveling or pleasure-seeking public. The arrangements are complete throughout, and no pains are spared to make guests comfortable. To those who seek a quiet and elegant home in the country, this Hotel will suit them to a charm, and for comfort and cheapness it has no rival in the State. V. TARDE.
131f

STEVENS HOUSE,
21, 23, 25 & 27 Broadway, N. Y.
Opposite Bowling Green,
ON THE EUROPEAN PLAN.
The Stevens House is well and widely known to the traveling public. The location is especially suitable to merchants and business men; it is in close proximity to the business part of the city—is on the highway of Southern and Western travel—and adjacent to all the principal railroad and steamboat depots. The Stevens House has liberal accommodation for over 300 guests—it is well furnished, and possesses every modern improvement for the comfort and entertainment of its inmates. The rooms are spacious and well ventilated—provided with gas and water—the attendance is prompt and respectful, and the table is generously provided with every delicacy of the season—at moderate rates.
The rooms having been refurbished and remodeled, we are enabled to offer extra facilities for the comfort and pleasure of our guests.
GEO. E. CHASE & CO.,
June 15-4 Proprietors.

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HIGHEST MARKET PRICE.
ELMENDORF & Co.

Cards of City Merchants.

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HERTZBERG & SIMON,
Glassware, Mouldings,
Pictures, Pipes,
Fancy Goods, Brushes,
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Commerce Street,
at S. S. Sampson's old stand,
SAN ANTONIO.

DRESEL & BRIAM,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS
IN
Dry-Goods and Groceries,
HATS,
SHOES,
CROCKERY,
NOTIONS.
San Antonio, April 26, 1867. 1121f

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Dealer in all kinds of FURNITURE
and House Furnishing Goods, Mattress
Maker and Upholsterer,
MAIN STREET,
Opposite York & Grimsbeck.
Keeps constantly on hand a full assortment of Mattresses; and offers his services for repairing furniture, paper hanging, curtain hanging, and carpeting.
San Antonio, May 6th. 41y

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Cooking, Parlor and Box
STOVES,
Just received, and for sale at
NORTON & DEUTZ'S.
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WULF & SHELIG,
Importers
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MEXICO, TEXAS,
1c28 cor. Alamo & North streets

A. STAACKE,
AGENT FOR THE MANUFACTORY OF
Wilson, Childs & Co.,
PHILADELPHIA.
Orders for any kind of their work solicited.
San Antonio, Texas, July 4, 1867.

NORTON & DEUTZ,
SUCCESSORS TO NORTON & BRO.,
Hardware,
LEATHER,
—AND—
Woodenware Dealers,
SAN ANTONIO
Sept. 5 TEXAS.

W. A. BENNETT,
Banker,
Dealer in Exchange and Government
Securities,
San Antonio.
Will pay particular attention to the collection of Claims at all accessible points in Texas. 4dw1f

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BANKING AND EXCHANGE OFFICE,
on Commerce street,
opposite Bell & Bros. Jewelry store,
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Currency and Exchange bought and sold; Collections made on all accessible points. 50 1f

E. A. FLORIAN,
INSURANCE AGENT,
No. 3, French's Building,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
Capital Represented,
\$9,000,000
December 19, 1866. 43m

FOCKE & WILKENS,
COTTON FACTORS,
and
General Commission Merchants,
GOVERNOR'S BUILDING, GALVESTON.
Exchange on New Orleans New York,
London, and Hamburg. jan8ly

ALBERT TURPE,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
EAGLE PASS, TEXAS.
The highest Cash Price paid for Hides. 1121f

New York Cards.

R. FEINBERG, & CO.,
Importers of
French, English & German
FANCY GOODS.
4 & 6 Warren Street, near Broadway
NEW YORK.
[no48ly.]
August 2^d

E. S. JAFFRAY & CO.,
DRY GOODS,
250 Broadway,
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Flannels, Hosiery,
Gloves, Dress Shirts,
Collars and Ties,
Ribbons, Laces,
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Dress Goods, Silks,
White Goods,
Linen Goods,
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Shawls,
Cloaks,
Yankee Notions etc., etc., etc. 17septf

BOGERT & OAKLEY,
IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
American, English, German, & French
Hardware,
Cutlery,
Guns, &c.,
89 Pearl street, and 56 Stone street,
NEW YORK.

Orders promptly executed at lowest prices. No Travelers or Drummers employed. All goods bearing our stamp warranted extra quality. sep6fm

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SUCCESSORS TO
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GROCERS,
and
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 84 Front street,
New York. j28

G. SCHMIDT, ROBERT VOIGHT,
SCHMIT & VOIGHT,
GENERAL
Commission Merchants,
Handley's Building, 41 Pine Street,
GALVESTON, NEW YORK.
August 23. [no48-ly.]

Gustav Theisen & Co.,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
62 Cedar Street, New York

BURTIS & FRENCH,
Importers and Jobbers of
CROCKERY,
CHINA AND GLASS WARE,
No. 12 Barclay street,
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And Dealers in Hardware.
Liberal advances made on consignments of Country Produce. 13y

G. W. WARE & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
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Hides, Wool, &c.,
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References:
Master, Major & Co., New York,
Canal Bank, New Orleans,
W. H. H. Whittell, Esq., New Orleans,
William Chrysler, San Antonio,
National Bank of Texas, Galveston,
Heyck & Heffrich, Lavaca,
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A. G. N'NEELY, CHARLES MAJORS,
late of Walker's) of the Terry Ran.
M'KENNEY & HAIGNE,
Receiving, Forwarding,
and
General Commission Merchants,
ALLEXTON, TEXAS.
We cheerfully recommend this firm as being prompt, reliable, and worthy of patronage.
A. H. EDEY, Galveston, Texas. 10

J. E. COWEN,
IMPORTER AND JOBBER
OF FOREIGN AND DOMESTIC
DRY GOODS,
BOOTS, SHOES AND HATS,
Strand,
GALVESTON, ... TEXAS.
Particular attention to filling orders, accompanied by cash or produce. 128f

OUR GALVESTON LETTER.

GALVESTON, Texas, Dec. 24, 1876.
Editor San Antonio Express:

To assist the Conservatives in their efforts to defeat reconstruction in this State, the inhabitants of Bell county it seems have indulged in a little amiable attack on the troops stationed there, and though not "sneezing in the murder of any of the soldiers," have compelled the Lieutenant (Bureau Agent stationed there) to retreat with his guard of three men to Austin. Murders of freedmen and outrages on Union whites are "now of frequent occurrence in these counties," and as "civil law has been restored"—rebel utterance—by General Hancock, our Conservatives consider they now have carte blanche for murder and oppression of all Unionists who are so unfortunate as to be powerless for defense. What a charming state of affairs our ruffians are to have in this State, thanks to the Conservatives thereof!

Would not Petroleum V. Nasby, P. M., do well to move his delectable quarters from the "Confederit X Roads, State of Kentucky," down here to Texas?—we have such a fine State for "Democrats" to live in.
The Union League here has nominated Mr. G. T. Ruby as the delegate from Galveston county to the Constitutional Convention, and Dr. Robert K. Smith as the floater. It is understood that Judge Fayle and Mr. Bryant have been nominated from Harris county.

Business is rather brisk, though not in as fair a condition as last year at this season.
Amusements are abundant and our people promise to spend Christmas cheerfully.

It is stated that the gentleman who expected the appointment of County Judge in place of Judge Austin, has become the local editor of Flake's Bulletin, and as such is the Smooth Eph. Radivius who furnished a garbled report for publication of the Union League meeting on Friday night.

The weather promises to be fine and delightfully pleasant on the day of Christ's nativity.

HUMPHREY.

THE NATIONAL CONVENTION

The National Union Republican committee, of which Governor Marcus L. Ward, of New Jersey, is chairman, held a meeting at Washington on the 11th instant, and issued the following call for a national convention.

The undersigned, constituting the national committee designated by the convention held at Baltimore on the 7th of June, 1864, do appoint that a national convention of the Union Republican party be held at the city of Chicago, Illinois, on Wednesday, the 20th day of May next, at 12 o'clock M., for the purpose of nominating candidates for the offices of president and vice-president of the United States. Each state of the United States is authorized to be represented in said convention by a number of delegates equal to twice the number of senators and representatives to which such state is entitled in the national congress.

We invite the co-operation of all citizens who rejoice that our civil war, happily terminated in the discontinuance of rebellion; who would hold fast the unity and integrity of the republic, and maintain its paramount right to defend to the utmost its own existence, whether imperiled by secret conspiracy or armed force; who are in favor of an economical administration of the public expenditures, of the complete extirpation of the principles and policy of slavery, and of the speedy reorganization of those states whose governments were destroyed by the rebellion, and their permanent restoration to their proper political relations to the United States, in accordance with the true principles of republican government.

To BEAUTIFY THE TEETH—dissolve two ounces of borax in three pounds of boiling water, and before it is cold add one teaspoonful of the spirits of camphor, and bottle for use. A tablespoonful of this mixture mixed with an equal quantity of tepid water and applied daily with a soft brush, preserves and beautifies the teeth, extirpates all tartarous adhesion, arrests decay, induces a healthy action of the gums, and makes the teeth pearly white.

A PEEP INTO BRIGHAM YOUNG'S SERAGLIO.

[Salt Lake City Correspondence Buffalo Express.]

But let us seek a field of interest. Here on our right hand are the private grounds of him who ruleth in Zion, Brigham Young. Twenty acres he owns in the heart of the city, where are pleasant walks and floral beauties, surrounded by a wall of stone. Within this inclosure are three princely mansions, where lives his thirty wives and numerous progeny. Each of these houses carries a name that disorder and confusion may not arise in the camp of Israel. They are the Beehive house, Lion house and White house on the Hill. This mighty wall is designed to shut out the world, to exclude inquisitive sight but we shall venture to describe the scene within. It is the hour of sunset, gilding the mountains with a pearly light. We approach the massive iron gates, and unlike Moore's disconsolate Peri, we are permitted to enter the domestic paradise. Strolling leisurely along the grassy walks, our attention is attracted to the singular movements of an elderly woman, her hair streaked with silver threads, yet with a step firm and elastic. This evening's air is inviting, and she seems to enjoy his freshness. In her hand is an open book (can it be "Griffith Gaunt; or, Jealousy?") which closes with a nervous twitch of the hands, as her fading eye rekindles, with a look that would seem to say, "Oh, how I despise you!" This woman forty years ago, became Brigham Young's first wife. But who can be the sjetin of that malignant scolding? What poor mortal is being crushed between her clenched teeth? Can it be I, only a looker-on—a harmless and unoffending Gentile? No. But we have discovered the study of her book—the book up as that has been planted in her side. Yonder is a cluster of trees—they are aspen and maple—and under their thin, yellow-tinted tops is a bright-eyed woman of twenty summers, who now leans on that old man's arm. By what power we know not, but as if drawn by magic hand, our steps are directed thitherward. The now mistress of the heart and situation flashes wise looks and breathes poetic words; he, old man that he is, and slave of sensualism, trends the floor of his own paradise, and smiles approving glances. This man is Brigham Young, and this woman his very last and much the prettiest wife. No wonder that that "old creature" looks so disagreeable. Perhaps there are others peeping from behind damask curtains who are also mourning the loss of their place in that old man's affections.

The New York Times cannot comprehend why Semmes wants to lecture about his piracies. It says: "Whenever he saw an armed vessel of any kind he instantly took to his heels and ran away, until finally forced into a fight with the Kearsage, when his ship was sunk, and he himself escaped by being carried off in a Zouave's yacht." A platoon of armed Zenites cruising against school girls in their afternoon promenades, and running away from every policeman they saw, would illustrate the heroism which Semmes finds so fascinating. He may not be a coward personally, but a more cowardly business than that of which he is now making public boasts, cannot well be imagined.

In the newly elected city government of Newburyport, Mass., there are three ex-mayors, two ex-presidents of councils and one Hebrew gentleman—probably the first person of this persuasion ever elected to office in New England.

They have earthquakes at St. Thomas at the rate of 47 in 24 hours; or about one every 30 minutes; and in St. John, recently, they had 114 in eight days. For these desirable residences we believe Mr. Seward wants us to pay \$7,500,000 in gold.

The bottom of the Tennessee river, between Paducah and Eastport, Ky., is said to be filled with government property, and a contract to raise it has been taken by an eastern man.

The Russian army is supplied with an overcoat reaching to the ankle, and no blanket is need-d.

Over nine thousand dollars have been paid to the State of Wisconsin since last April for wolf scalps, lynx and wildcat bounties.

Mrs. Babcock, of Norwich, Connecticut, being divorced from her husband, went and smashed in his windows—incompatibility of temper.

HAPPERS BAZAR at Slocums, with splendid Christmas pattern plate extra.

MR. TRACY AND THE "TELEGRAPH."

The Houston Telegraph is unable to see why we should speak of Judge Tracy in connection with the Galveston Civilian.

In answer to the wild and foolish assertions in the Telegraph of the 20th, following the extract from our paper, we will state that the Telegraph, during the past two years has been conducted, like all the rebel papers in the State, by men of education, who naturally have the ability to write and make themselves interesting, but who are working with a film over their eyes, that prevents not only them, but all disappointed traitors, from "seeing themselves as others see them."

How can the producer of cotton pay the tax if he is not allowed to bring his cotton to a market in the same district. The 3rd collection district of Texas comprises many counties, Bexar, Comal, Hays, Travis, Bastrop, Caldwell and the whole West.

By Telegraph.

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IMPORTANT TO COTTON SHIPPERS.

Grievous complaints have been made by shippers of cotton against certain Internal Revenue officers who have not allowed cotton to be removed from one point in this district to any other one in the same district, without pre-paying of the Internal Revenue tax.

We have visited Capt. Braubach, Internal Revenue officer in this city, to gain all the information respecting cotton matters, and left his office fully satisfied that it was on the part of such Int. Rev. officers a gross violation of certain regulations, dated Washington, Sept. 16th, 1867. Concerning the assessment and collection of cotton tax, and the removal of cotton. These regulations have the object to furnish increased facilities for the removal of cotton with or without pre-payment of the tax, as the case may be.

Cotton may be removed from one portion of this district to any other portion of the district without pre-payment of the tax; nor is any permit for removal required in such cases; therefore, if shippers of cotton desire to pay their cotton tax in San Antonio, or at any other point in the district, the Deputy Collector of the Division in which the cotton was produced, cannot demand the payment of the tax, unless the producing division and the paying division should be the same.

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rights governments are instituted among men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed

Crawford, Cooley and Linding opposed its adoption as it would bring ridicule upon the convention and work to the prejudice of the State in as much that if embodied in the constitution, no criminal could be punished by death or imprisonment.

The following was offered but was crowded out by previous question: Resolved, That the citizens of this State owe allegiance to the United States, and the allegiance due to the State convention adjourned.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS IN GALVESTON.—The Union League of Galveston have put forth the names of G. T. Ruby and Dr. R. K. Smith as delegates to the Constitutional Convention. Two better nominations could not have been made.

CONDEMNED.—Some fifty of the Cavalry horses we gave no very flattering notice of while on their way up to the posts, have been condemned and brought back to this city to be disposed of.

VAGRANCY.—The Houston Telegraph of the 20th has two columns in the local department, most of it devoted to vagrants of all kinds, from the temper exhibited, we should judge the local had found an assailable point against the freedmen, or he was afraid of competition. Better had that column "Vagrant about town."

STUFFING FOR TURKEYS.—Chop finely one-quarter of a pound of suet, and with it mix double the quantity of bread crumbs, a large spoonful of chopped parsley, nearly a spoonful of thyme and marjoram mixed, one-eighth of a nutmeg, some grated lemon peel, salt and pepper, and bind the whole with two eggs. A tea spoonful of finely shrewd shallot or onion may be added at pleasure.

Kisses.—For one pound beat the whites of 6 eggs to a very stiff froth and mix in one pound of sifted-fine pulverized sugar. Drop with a spoon or press through a conet shaped bag with a tin tube in the small ends upon well greased and floured pans, or upon wet boards covered with paper. Bake by a very slow heat.

Tuesday, December 31st 1867, BALL and SUPPER AT THE CASINO HALL.

Tickets to be had at \$1.50 specie, at Messrs A. Kette, E. Fentzenreider, G. Harner, and Wagner & Emmel. Only members and their guests will be admitted.

TO RENT.

A comfortable house two minutes walk from commerce street; also, a good stand for a Beer Saloon on Main Plaza.

Apply to JOS. DWYER Dec 28-31st

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Remitting in the Postoffice, at San Antonio, up to the 26th day of December, 1867.

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Calders, Francisco McCurdy G.M.H.
Behrens, J. Montgomery John T.
Beznana, W.F. Manning J.W.
Carle, Andre McKie James
Castleton Edward McKie P.L.
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Lincoln J. Wernuth Christian
Lang T.A. Zimmerman Joseph
Malcolmsun maj W.M. S. P. GAMBIA, P. M.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

A NEW IMPROVEMENT TO SAN ANTONIO.—On our rambles through the streets a few days ago, we had the great pleasure of seeing the newest and most magnificent Hair Dressing Saloon ever in our city, it has just been fitted up by Mr. F. J. Walker, (lately from Europe), with all the latest and neatest of fashions of hair cutting and hair dressing, and everything in his establishment is of the very best quality, and his success in his business is rapidly gaining the golden opinion of his generous friends and the community at large. Go and see his establishment, then give him a trial and judge for yourselves. On Main street, opposite Moke & Bro's, and next door to Ernst Restaurant.

The old year's passing fast away, And soon will come the New Year's day, The pleasures that we then shall see, We trust will go on merrily, But what young gent without trined hair, Would show his face, with a lady fair, So if you want neat trined your tops, Just go to Walker's Barber shop There you will find perfumes the best, And work far surpassed the rest, Go just once, give him a trial, As he's been round the world afar, And always been pronounced the star, Some before have puffed around, As Barbers they were best in town, Now as with Walk they cannot stand, Some's gone and will go to (some place where there's no First class barber to contend with they call) a better land and leave Walker triumphant.

City Advertisements.

Dissolution of Partnership.

The Co partnership heretofore existing under the name of Cochran, Bayless & Co., having been dissolved by limitation, Mr. Thomas Cochran will close up the old business.

THOMAS B. COCHRAN, A. H. BAYLESS, GEORGE C. BENNETT. San Antonio, Texas, December 21, 1867.

Having this day sold to Messrs. Bennett & Minter our stock of Groceries, we take pleasure in recommending them to our former customers as in every respect worthy of their confidence.

COCHRAN, BAYLESS & CO. San Antonio, Texas, December 21, 1867.

We, the undersigned, having purchased the entire stock of Groceries of Messrs. Cochran, Bayless & Co., will continue the business at their Old Stand, under the style and firm of Bennett & Minter, and will keep on hand a Complete Stock in their line, and solicit a continuance of the patronage of the old firm.

GEORGE C. BENNETT, J. MINTER. San Antonio, Texas, December 21, 1867. [Sdaw

NOTICE.

The Mayor will be in attendance at the Mayor's office every day from 8 o'clock A. M. till 12 o'clock M. and from 2 o'clock P. M. till sun down. On Sundays from 8 o'clock till 10 o'clock A. M.

Regular meetings of the City Council every 1st and 3rd Mondays in each month. W. G. A. THIELEPAPE, Mayor. Attest: MARTIN H. CAMPBELL, City Sec. San Antonio, Dec. 28th, 1867. (dim.

JEFFERSON & MURPHY AUCTIONEERS.

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Have abundant space for any quantity of goods for Auction, Private Sale or Storage. Also, a large yard for Carriages, Wagons, Stock, &c.

Stock Auction every Saturday at 10 o'clock. Mules and Horses always on hand for sale. Cotton bought and sold. Particular attention paid to the purchase and sale of Real estate. Also, to disposition of Bonds & Ware Goods. (dec 20th.

OFFICE, CHIEF QUARTERMASTER, FIFTH MILITARY DISTRICT, New Orleans, La. December 13th, 1867.

SEALED PROPOSALS, are invited and will be received at this office until 12, M. January 15th, 1868, for the purchase of all the right, title and interest of the United States, in and to the United States Military Railroad, from Branso Santiago to White's Rancho, Texas.

The sale will include the entire track and sidings, buildings, waterstations, turn tables, &c., the railroad materials and supplies pertaining to the road, together with the rolling stock, cars, machinery, and other equipments as follows:

- 5 1/2 miles Railroad track.
4 Claw Bags. Used.
2 Pinch Bars. do
6 Stuffing Boxes. do
20,000 lbs. Railroad chairs. Good.
9,500 lbs. Railroad iron. do
1 Locomotive. Unserviceable.
1 Locomotive and Tender. Serviceable.
1 Locomotive Headlight. Unserviceable.
14 Coupling Links. Good.
338 lbs. Car Springs. do
12,000 lbs. Railroad spikes. do
500 Gross Ties. do
2 Shackle Bars. Used.
20 Square Braces. Good.
7 Flat Cars. Worn but serviceable.
2 Crows feet. Worn.
4 Railroad Frogs and 3 Switch Stand-works.
4 Spike mauls. Worn.
2 Jack Screws and levers. do
2 Turn tables. do
19 Fire tongs. do
2 Screw wrenches. do
1 Hand car. do
3 Push car wheels. do
1 Store. do
1 Push car. do
4 Hand car wheels. do

This sale will not include the title to the land, which does not belong to the United States, nor to the bridge over the Boca Chica.

The road is about ten miles in length, and extends from Branso Santiago to White's Rancho on the Rio Grande. From this point construction is made by Steamer with Brownsville and Matamoros.

Of the ten miles, 3 1/2-3 3/4 are washed away by a late hurricane, 4 67-100 are in running order, although not continuous, and about 1 3/4-1 1/2 miles of the material are buried in sand.

The route is the shortest and best for the immense traffic between the Gulf of Mexico and the interior of Southern Texas and Northern Mexico, and the communication by rail alone can readily be extended to Brownsville.

The railroad to White's Rancho saves thirty miles of difficult and tortuous navigation. The road is five feet gauge, good ties, T rail, and full spiked.

The property may be inspected on application to Capt. C. H. Hoyt, A. Q. M., Brownsville, Texas, and any information desired may be obtained from that officer, or from the office of the Chief Quartermaster, Fifth Military District, at New Orleans, La.

A condition of the sale will be that transportation shall be furnished for all government troops and supplies, whenever required, at rates not to exceed those paid by the United States to other railroad companies in the Fifth Military District.

Terms of payment—Cash in U. S. Treasury notes. The Government reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Proposals should be endorsed. "Proposals for Branso Santiago and Rio Grande Railroad," and addressed to the undersigned at this office.

A. J. MCGONNIGLE, Lt. Lt. Col. & A. Q. M. U. S. A., dec 23-67 In charge of office.

GEORGE HERNER'S BAR-ROOM.

Main Street, San Antonio, Texas. HAS the very best of Liquors, Wines, Cigars, &c., &c. where those who derive pleasure from the "O the Joyful," will find comfort and consolation. (dec 25th

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DEALERS IN Jewelry, Silver-ware, Plated-ware Diamond Goods, American and European Watches and Clocks, Gold Pens and Pencils of every kind, Gold and Silver Trimbles, Gold, Silver, Steel and Tortoise-shell Spectacles and Eye Glasses, with Pebble and Glass Lense, Suitable for the aged or near-sighted.

Engravers and Manufacturers OF ALL ARTICLES IN THEIR LINE WATCHES, CLOCKS, JEWELRY, repaired and warranted. Orders Filled Promptly.

Main Street Five doors east of Main Plaza, Opposite their Old Stand. San Antonio, Texas. March 29, 1866

DISSOLUTION.

The mercantile co-partnership heretofore existing between the undersigned, under the name, style and firm of K. Wulping & Co., is this day dissolved by mutual consent.

The settlement of the business of said firm will be made by E. Cramer, and all debts due thereto, collected by him. E. WULPING, E. CRAMEL, M. KRAUKAU.

Referring to above circular the undersigned will continue the business under his own name. G. CRAMEL. San Antonio, Dec. 5, 1867. (tr.

SCHMITT & DUERLER,

Commerce Street, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS. Wholesale Manufacturers OF ALL KINDS OF

Crackers, Candles, Syrups, AND

Confectioneries, WEDDING AND BALL CAKES

Made to Order.

—ALSO— A Select Assortment of

Fancy Groceries, Such as

Can-Fruits, Jellies, Preserves, Figs, &c.

Always on Hand. San Antonio, Oct. 2, 1867. dtf

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Having received an order for

10,000 BUSHELS

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I am prepared to pay the HIGHEST CASH PRICE for the same.

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F. KALTEYER,

APOTHEARY AND DRUGGIST.

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Among others—

English Colomel, English Mustard,

Citric Acid, Acetic Acid,

Oil of Bergamot, Oil of Lemon,

Oil of Sassafras, List, &c., &c.

Superior Steel Pens and Pen Holders,

Trusses, Syringes, of

Block Tin, Glass, and

India Rubber, Capping Glasses,

Medicine Chests, Medical Saddle-bags, etc

Genuine Eau de Cologne. dec20d1-3m.

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Gas Generators

Have Arrived!

An invention by which a common Kerosene Lamp can at once be transformed into a Gas Lamp, of a most brilliant light, entirely safe against explosion; is no chimney needed, and is not subject to be blown out by the strongest breeze or current of air; at the same time giving a better light than the combined light of two ordinary Kerosene Lamps, and saving fully one-third of the kerosene oil, by simply applying the gas generator.

The undersigned having procured the patent right for Bexar County, has now a supply of the Generators on hand, and offers to sell them at One Dollar, specie, each.

To Dealers, they will be offered by the dozen at a very fair discount. The undersigned has also been authorized to sell County Rights and Generators to all counties where said patent has not been introduced.

F. SIMON, At the store of Hertzberg & Simon, nov102m San Antonio.

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Local Intelligence.

MAIL ROBBERY.—We have quietly noticed the general complaint, throughout the state, of the outrageous inefficiency of our mail arrangements, until forbearance ceases to be a virtue, and an outrageous evidence of culpable neglect compelled us to add our voice to the general cry. Wednesday a mail sack, arrived here from Gonzales, with half of one side entirely cut out, and with it a portion of a mail sent from here on the 12th of October, the mail driver had passed Belmont, as packages of Belmont mail were found among the rifled contents, after that, no traces of the mail had ever been found until the sack was discovered on the banks of the Gaudaloupe River on the 29th inst. This is the second time within three months that the mail has been robbed at the same place, each time the actual driver is positively known yet they are able to exculpate themselves. At Gonzales there is a Post Mistress who probably knows or does little around the office. There are known rebels around that office and there may be some one of those who surreptitiously handles the mail without authority. The stage drivers are men who take the oath, they have a right to be considered innocent until proven guilty. A thorough investigation would soon develop the truth and place the guilt where it belongs. Let us have it.

Our Mail agent has not been heard from for weeks. At his office in Houston bushels of mail matter await his private examination. The suspicion has gone abroad he too has succumbed to the subtle influence that has ruined all previous agents, matters grow worse from day to day. There is not the slightest check against the robbery of the mail. There is no responsibility anywhere.

CAPTURE OF A GAMBLING HOUSE ON SOLIDAR STREET.—A descent was made on a gambling house, kept by Columbus Caldwell, (colored), yesterday, Thursday. Isaac Bell, (arr-sted with Caldwell, the keeper), for playing monte. Three others escaped, but will be apprehended, as their names are known to the police. Bell was examined before the mayor and plead guilty; was fined \$50 and costs, which he paid. Caldwell also plead guilty, was fined the same amount and in default of payment sent to jail.

THE WEATHER.—Warm summer weather still holds sway. Peach trees are leafing out and blooming, and quite an unnatural winter season prevails. The thermometer stood 83° in the shade on Thursday and equally as high on Friday. We fear that we are to have some sudden chag which will injure our trees. The weather is delightful, but we would feel more natural under the influence of a norther.

If our patrons were disappointed in not finding anything nice enough to present the Local, they can now set their consciences at rest. Bell & Brothers received a magnificent stock yesterday, consisting of jewelry, silver ware, and every variety of their class of goods.

G. W. Ware, Esq., the head of the only live and energetic commission house in Lavaca, is in our city, posting the hide and wool men in facts gathered by him during a recent trip to New York. We commend him to the brethren.

MORE THROATS.—Six hundred recruits for the 4th and 6th Cavalry are on the way from the coast to our city; they are reported to be a fine body of men.

The family of the late Major Thompson arrived in the city yesterday en route to St. Louis.

CALLED FOR.—The spectacles and pipe have been called for.

SAN ANTONIO, Dec. 27, 1867.
Editors San Antonio Express:

I am glad to find from this morning's issue, that it is now known that the animals (horses) were not poisoned, but that it is a strange and almost fatal epidemic. I must think it is either glanders or black tongue. For the former there is no remedy that I ever knew; for black tongue give a little copperas, internally, one-half teaspoonful, and apply counter irritants to the throat, and bleed freely in the mouth. Or use a swab with a wash of vinegar, copperas and spirits of turpentine. I tried this successfully during the rage of black tongue among my oxen, some eight years ago. I should like to hear the views of Dr. Dorset, Tong and Sappington.

Yours,
H. C.



Orton Brother's CIRCUS
—AND—
FEMALE SILVER CORNET BAND
Is Coming!

This old favorite company has been greatly augmented at an enormous expense, for the traveling campaign of 1867. With NEW CANYAS, NEW WAGONS and New Equipage, on a scale of magnificence hitherto unknown in the circus line, and with talent of the first order in every department, they give an entertainment unsurpassed. An original feature with this company is a splendid

FEMALE SILVER CORNET BAND
Consisting of Ten Ladies, led by
MISS IRINE ORTON,
Will enter town at 10 o'clock, A. M. And will discourse some of the most fashionable music extant, through the principal streets in their

BEAUTIFUL CHARIOT
DRAWN BY
TEN SPLENDID DAPPLE GRAY HORSES.

WILL EXHIBIT AT
SAN ANTONIO,
Dec. 30th, 31st and Jan. 1st.
Admission \$1.00
Children under ten 50 cts
Doors open at 12 and 7 P. M.
S. G. KINGSBURY, Agent.

House and Lot for Sale.
The house and lot situated on Goliad street, the property of E. Reppa, is for sale. The house has three rooms, each 20 by 18 feet; a warehouse is attached 40 by 16 feet. All in good order and title guaranteed. Apply to the owner or at the office of the San Antonio Express.
If sale is not made before January 6th, 1868, the above will be sold on that day to the highest bidder.
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Commerce Street,
Opposite Bell's Jewelry Store.
Keeps constantly on hand
School Books at Wholesale and
Retail.
A fine assortment of
STATIONERY
of all kinds.
CHILDREN'S BOOKS,
Catholic & Episcopal Prayer Books,
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Suitable for Presents!
A large assortment of
PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS
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The Latest Novels constantly on hand.
Cards of all Kinds.
In fine a full assortment of everything pertaining to this line of business.

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Music! Music!! Music!!!
A fine assortment on hand, and receiving NEW MUSIC every week. oct22H

House to Rent.
One of the finest houses in the city, situated on the east side of the river, adjoining the residence of Mr. Pentenrieder. Apply at the business house of E. Pentenrieder, Main street. (dec. 6-1f)

JUST RECEIVED,
A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF
FANCY GOODS AND TOYS,
FOR CHRISTMAS.
E. PENTENRIEDER,
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THE MOST ELEGANT ASSORTMENT OF
FANCY GOODS & FINE TOYS,
EVER BROUGHT TO THIS PLACE.
HERTZBERG & SIMON,
Commerce Street.
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Historical, Philosophical, Biographical and Miscellaneous Books, Stationery, AND NOTIONS, AT GAMBLE'S BOOK STORE,
121 Commerce Street, JUST RECEIVED A FRESH SUPPLY OF
STATIONERY—
for Commercial purposes, Ladies' Bath Gilt Note, Octavo and Billet Paper; Lined Envelops, &c., &c.; Photographic Albums; Portfolios; Toilet Articles; Perfumery, &c., &c.; Ladies' Dress Buttons, Visiting Cards, Spectacles, Canes, Umbrellas, and many other articles, too numerous to mention.
Elegant, new and suggestive books. Libraries supplied on liberal terms. An extensive assortment of NEW Novels by the most popular Authors.
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BY DOING SO THEY WILL FIND GREAT INDUCEMENTS to their advantage.

EVERY ARTICLE IS WARRANTED AS REPRESENTED.

Cavalry Horses Wanted Immediately!
Two Hundred and Seventy-Seven Horses,
For which the highest prices in specie will be paid.

Said Horses must be sound in all particulars, well broken, in full flesh and good condition, from 15 fifteen to 16 sixteen hands high, from 5 five to 9 nine years old, and well adapted in every way to cavalry purposes.
For particulars apply at the Metzger Hotel, or Stock Yard near by. R. W. PEAY, San Antonio, Nov. 19, 1867. 1f

A. NETTE,
Has just received a large stock of
DRUGS, MEDICINES, PERFUMERIES, and SURGICAL INSTRUMENTS.
In fact all the leading articles, such as PATENT MEDICINES, that are usually kept in a
First Class Drug Store.
The stock being selected by himself off this market. 41-1f



STOVES!
COOKING, PARLOR, AND BOX STOVES!
Just received by
LEROUX & COSGROVE.
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ELMENDORF & CO. Hardware Merchants.
MAIN PLAZA.

Have constantly on hand, and offer for sale
English and American Cutlery, Iron and Steel of all sizes, Carpenters Tools, Mill & Crosscut Saws of all sizes, Boring Machines, Nails of all sizes, Butts, Rings, Screws, etc. Floor, Cabinet & Trunk Locks of all kinds, Shoe Makers & Saddlers Tools & Trimming, Buckles Rings, etc., Bridle Bits & Webbing, Oil Cloth, Hames, Collars, etc., Tin, Rivets, & Kettle Reas, etc., etc., Steel Hoes and Agricultural Implement, in general.

Landreth's Garden Seeds always on hand And a general assortment of Hardware Also: Paints, Oils, Turpentine & Glass, Paint, Shoe & Clothes Brushes, Petroleum & Lamps, Colt's Army & Navy Size Pistols, Powder, Shot & Caps, And all other articles in their line of business at low prices.
Sole Agents for Herrings' Safe's also for Planer & Kayser's Sewing Machines.
May 24th 1866. no25tf

LEVENSTEIN & CO.,
Commerce Street, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS
in
Fancy and Staple DRY GOODS,
CLOTHING, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, &c., &c., &c.

Just received a large stock of
Fall and Winter Goods!
and will sell all at the very lowest prices nov5tf

STAGE LINE
Two commodious Stages and one baggage wagon run regularly once a month by way of Pecos Neigras (Eagle Pass) to Chihuahua. This line connects at Comiegas with the stage that runs to Monterey and thence to Matamoros or Saltillo, San Luis Potosi, Zacatecas or the City of Mexico. It also connects at Sta Rosalia, San Pablo and Chihuahua with the stage line to Paso del Norte.
The Stages are well protected by a strong armed escort.
For rates of passage, specie shipments and freights, apply to
FELIX MACEYRA, Proprietor, Chihuahua.
WULFF & SCHEDELIO, Agents, corner Alamo and North streets, June 25-6m San Antonio, Texas.

Hungarian Leeches.
Just received and for sale by
A. NETTE,
Druggist and Apothecary, Commerce St., San Antonio Texas.

Special Bitters.
A Cough, a Cold, or a Sore Throat,
Requires immediate attention, and should be checked.
If allowed to continue, Irritation of the Lungs, a Permanent Throat Disease, or Consumption, is often the result.
Brown's Bronchial Troches,
Having a direct influence on the parts, give immediate relief.
For Bronchitis, Asthma, Catarrh, Consumptive and Throat Diseases, Troches are used with always good success.
SINGERS and PUBLIC SPEAKERS use them to clear and strengthen the voice.
Obtain only "Brown's Bronchial Troches," and do not take any of the worthless imitations that may be offered.
Sold every where. nov11tf

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Serious Reflections for Young Men, in Essays of the Howard Association, on the Physiological Errors, Abuses and Diseases incurred by ignorance of Nature's Laws, in the first age of man. Sent in a sealed letter envelope free of charge. Address, Dr. J. SKILLIN HOUGHTON, Howard Association, Philadelphia, Pa.

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A gentleman who suffered for years from Nervous Debility, Premature Decay, and all the effects of youthful indiscretion, will, for the sake of suffering humanity, send free to all who need it, the recipe and directions for making the simple remedy by which he was cured. Sufferers wishing to profit by the advertiser's experience, can do so by addressing, in perfect confidence,
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Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON,
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Information
Guaranteed to produce a luxuriant growth of hair upon a bald head, or thinning hair; also, a recipe for the removal of Pimples, Blisters, Eruptions, etc., on the skin, leaving the same soft, clear, and beautiful, can be obtained without charge by addressing
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OFFICE BUREAU R. F. and A. L. GALVESTON, TEXAS, Dec. 10, 1867.
PROPOSALS will be received until the 20th instant for the purchase of the property near San Antonio, Texas, known as the "Government Tannery and Steam Saw Mill" with seventy five acres of land, more or less, appertaining to the same property. The Tannery consists of twelve (12) stone lime vats; fifty two (52) wooden vats; seven stone pools; and capable of tanning fifteen thousand (15,000) hides per annum, one steam saw mill, and one small stone house. Terms of sale will be one-half of the amount of purchase money, to be paid upon the delivery of a deed, and possession of the property, and the balance on the (1st) first day of July, 1868.

The right is reserved to reject any or all bids not deemed satisfactory. Proposals will be addressed to Lieut. J. F. Richardson, A. A. Q. M. and C. D. O., Galveston, Texas, and marked "Proposals for purchase of San Antonio Tannery." The above property will be sold under authority of the Commissioner of the Bureau R. F. and A. L.

OFFICE BUREAU REPORTS, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, GALVESTON, TEXAS Dec. 10th, 1867.
PROPOSALS will be received until the 20th inst., for the purchase or lease, for a term of years, satisfaction to the lessee, of the buildings, tenements and lands; pertaining to the same, of the property in Waco, now held by the United States; and commonly known as the "Waco Factory." Detailed description of this property can be had at the office of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands, at Austin, Waco and Galveston.

Terms of sale or lease will be, one half the amount of the lease or purchase money to be paid on the delivery of the transfer papers, and the balance on the 1st of July, 1868. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids if not deemed satisfactory. Proposals will be addressed to Lieut. J. F. Richardson, A. A. Q. M. and C. D. O., Galveston, Texas, and marked "Proposals for purchase or lease of Waco Factory." The above property will be sold or leased under authority of the Commissioner of the Bureau of Refugees, Freedmen and Abandoned Lands.
J. F. RICHARDSON,
Lieut. and A. A. Q. M. and C. D. O. dec 18 67

[Official.]
PUBLIC ACTS OF THE THIRTY-SEVENTH CONGRESS OF THE UNITED STATES.

CHAP. CLXIII.—An Act increasing, temporarily, the Duties on Imports, and for other Purposes.

(CONTINUED.)
 Twines and packthread, of whatever material composed, not otherwise provided for;
 Type metal;
 Types, new;
 Umbrellas, parasols, and sunshades;
 Yarns, when printed or painted;
 Water;
 Water colors;
 Watches and parts of watches, and watch materials, and unfinished parts of watches;
 Webbing, composed of wool, cotton, flax, or any other materials, not otherwise provided for.

Sec. 14. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the day and year aforesaid, there shall be levied, collected, and paid on all goods, wares, and merchandise of the growth or produce of countries beyond the Cape of Good Hope, when imported from places this side of the Cape of Good Hope, a duty of ten per cent. ad valorem, and in addition to the duties imposed on any such articles when imported directly from the place or places of their growth or production.

Sec. 15. *And be it further enacted*, That upon all ships, vessels, or steamers, which, after the thirty-first day of December, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, shall be entered at any custom-house in the United States from any foreign port or place, or from any ship or vessel of the United States, or belonging wholly or in part to subjects of foreign powers, there shall be paid a tax or tonnage duty of ten cents per ton of the measurement of said vessels, in addition to any tonnage duty now imposed by law: *Provided*, That the said tax or tonnage duty shall not be collected more than once in each year on any ship, vessel, or steamer having a license to trade between different districts of the United States, or to carry on the bank, whale, or other fisheries, whilst employed therein; or on any ship, vessel, or steamer, to or from any port or place in Mexico, the British provinces of North America, or any of the West India islands: *Provided, also*, That nothing in this act contained shall be deemed in anywise to impair any rights and privileges which have been or may be acquired by any foreign nation under the laws and treaties of the United States relative to the duty on tonnage of vessels: *Provided, further*, That so much of the act of August eighteen, eighteen hundred and fifty-six, entitled "An act to authorize protection to be given to citizens of the United States who may discover deposits of guano," as prohibits the export thereof, is hereby suspended for one year from and after the passage of this act.

Sec. 16. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the passage of this act, in estimating the allowance for tare on all chests, boxes, cases, casks, bags, or other envelopes or coverings of all articles imported liable to pay any duty, where the original invoice is produced at the time of making entry thereof, and the tare shall be specified therein, it shall be lawful for the collector, if he shall be so specified therein, if he shall see fit, or for the collector and naval officer, if such officer there be, if they shall see fit, with the consent of the consignee, to estimate the said tare according to such invoice; but in all other cases the real tare shall be allowed, and may be ascertained under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may from time to time prescribe; but in no case shall there be any allowance for draft.

Sec. 17. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the first day of November, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, no goods, wares, or merchandise subject to ad valorem or specific duty, whether belonging to a person or persons residing in the United States or otherwise, or whether acquired by their ordinary process of bargain and sale, or otherwise, or whether acquired by the ordinary process of bargain and sale, or otherwise, shall be admitted to entry, unless the invoice of such goods, wares, or merchandise be verified by the oath of the owner or one of the owners, or in the absence of the owner, one of the party who is authorized by the owner to make the shipment and sign the invoice of the same, certifying that the invoice annexed contains a true and faithful account, if subject to ad valorem duty and obtained by purchase of the actual market value thereof, and of all charges thereon, and that no discounts, bounties, or drawbacks are contained in the said invoice but such as have actually been allowed on the same; and when consigned or obtained in any manner other than by purchase, the actual market value thereof, and if subject to specific duty, of the actual quantity thereof; which said oath shall be administered by the consul or commercial agent of the United States in the district where the goods are manufactured, or from which they are sent; and if there be no consul or commercial agent of the United States in the said district, the verification hereby required shall be made by the consul or commercial agent of the United States at the nearest point, or at the port from which the goods are shipped, in which case the oath shall be administered by some public officer, duly authorized to administer oaths, and transmitted with a copy of the invoice to the consul or commercial agent for his authentication; and this act shall be construed only to modify, and not repeal, the act of March first, eighteen hundred and twenty-three, entitled "An act supplementary to, and to amend an act entitled 'An act to regulate the collection of duties on imports and tonnage,' passed the second of March, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine, and for other purposes," and the forms of the oaths therein set forth shall be modified accordingly. And there shall be paid to the said consul, vice-consul, or commercial agent, by the person or persons by or in behalf of whom the said invoices are presented and deposited one dollar for each and every invoice verified, which shall be accounted for by the officers receiving the same, in such manner as is now required by the laws regulating the fees and salaries of consuls and commercial agents: *Provided*, That nothing herein contained shall be construed to require for goods imported under the reciprocity treaty with Great Britain, signed June fifth, eighteen hundred and fifty-four, any consular certificate then or now required by law.

And provided, further, That the provisions of this section shall not apply to invoices of goods, wares, and merchandise imported into the United States from beyond Cape Horn and the Cape of Good Hope, until the first day of April, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-three: *And provided, further*, That the provisions of this section shall not apply to countries where there is no consul, vice-consul, or commercial agent of the United States.

Sec. 19. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the date aforesaid, it shall be the duty of consuls and commercial agents of the United States, having any knowledge or belief of any case or practice of any person or persons who obtain or should obtain verification of invoices as described in the preceding

section, whereby the revenue of the United States is or may be defrauded, to report the facts to the collector of the port where the revenue is or may be defrauded, or to the Secretary of the Treasury of the United States.

Sec. 20. *And be it further enacted*, That from and after the passage of this act, the act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of outstanding treasury notes, to authorize a loan, to regulate and fix the duties on imports, and for other purposes," approved March two, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, be, and the same is hereby, amended as follows, that is to say: First, in section twelve, before the word "eighteen," where it first occurs, strike out "less than;" second, in section twenty-four, after the word "artists residing abroad," strike out, "provided the same be imported in good faith as objects of taste and not of merchandise," and insert, "provided the fact, as aforesaid, shall be certified by the artist, or by a consul of the United States;" and in the same section, before the word "ornament," insert, "ores of gold and silver."

Sec. 21. *And be it further enacted*, That all goods, wares, and merchandise, which may be in the public store, or bonded warehouse on the first day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, may be withdrawn for consumption upon payment of the duties now imposed thereon by law, provided the same shall be so withdrawn within three months from the date of original importation; but all goods, wares, and merchandise which shall remain in the public store or bonded warehouse for more than three months from the date of original importation, if withdrawn for consumption, and all goods on shipboard on the first day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-two shall be subject to the duties prescribed by this act: *Provided*, That all goods which now are or may be deposited in public store or bonded warehouse after this act takes effect and goes into operation, must be withdrawn therefrom, or the duties thereon paid, within one year from the date of original importation, but may be withdrawn by the owner for exportation to foreign countries, or may be transhipped to any port of the Pacific or western coast of the United States at any time before the expiration of three years from the date of original importation; such goods on arrival at a Pacific or western port as aforesaid, to be subject to the same rules and regulations as if originally imported there; any goods remaining in public store or bonded warehouse beyond three years shall be regarded as abandoned to the government, and sold under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury may prescribe, and the proceeds paid into the treasury: *Provided, further*, That merchandise upon which duties have been paid may remain in warehouse in custody of the officers of the customs at the expense and risk of the owners of said merchandise, and if exported directly from said custody to a foreign country within three years shall be entitled to return duties, proper evidence of such merchandise having been landed abroad to be furnished to the collector by the importer, one per centum of said duties to be retained by the government. *And provided, further*, That all drugs, medicines, and chemical preparations, entered for exportation and deposited in warehouse or public store, may be exported by the owner or owners thereof in the original package, or otherwise, subject to such regulations as shall be prescribed by the Secretary of the Treasury. *And provided, further*, That the third clause proviso to the fifth section of an act entitled "An act to provide increased revenue from imports, to pay interest on the public debt, and for other purposes," approved the fifty day of August, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, be, and the same is hereby, repealed; and no return of the duties shall be allowed on the export of any merchandise after it has been removed from the custody and control of the government, but nothing herein contained shall be held to apply to or repeal section thirty of the act entitled "An act to provide for the payment of outstanding treasury notes, to authorize a loan, to regulate and fix the duties on imports, and for other purposes," approved March second, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, or section four of an act entitled "An act to provide increased revenue from imports, to pay interest on the public debt, and for other purposes," approved August fifth, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

Sec. 22. *And be it further enacted*, That the privilege of purchasing supplies from the public warehouses duty free, be extended under such regulations as the Secretary of the Treasury shall prescribe to the vessels of war of any nation in ports of the United States, which may reciprocate such privileges towards the vessels of war of the United States in its ports.

Sec. 23. *And be it further enacted*, That all acts and parts of acts repugnant to the provisions of this act be, and the same are hereby, repealed: *Provided*, That the existing laws shall extend to, and be in force for, the collection of the duties imposed by this act, for the prosecution and punishment of all offenses, and for the recovery, collection, distribution, and remission of all fines, penalties, and forfeitures, as fully and effectually as if every regulation, penalty, forfeiture, provision, clause, matter, and thing to that effect, in the existing laws contained, had been inserted in and re-enacted by this act.

Sec. 24. *And be it further enacted*, That the ninety-fifth section of the act entitled "An act to provide internal revenue to support the government and to pay interest on the public debt," approved July first, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, be so amended that no instrument, document, or paper, made, signed, or issued prior to the first day of January, eighteen hundred and sixty-three, without being duly stamped, or having thereon an adhesive stamp to denote the duty imposed thereon, shall for that cause be deemed invalid and of no effect: *Provided, however*, That no such instrument, document, or paper shall be admitted or used as evidence in any court until the same shall have been duly stamped, or until the holder thereof shall have proved to the satisfaction of the court that he has paid to the collector or deputy collector of the district within which such court may be held the sum of five dollars, for the of the United States.

Sec. 25. *And be it further enacted*, That no part of the act aforesaid, in relation to stamp duties, shall be held to take effect before the fifth day of September, eighteen hundred and sixty-two. And so much of said act as relates to the appointment of collectors and assessors shall be held to take effect on the twenty-first day of July, eighteen hundred and sixty-two, instead of from and after its approval by the President.

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