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Doctors.
DR. WEISSELBERG,
Physician and Surgeon,
OFFICE, at Nette's Drug Store,
On Commerce street,
San Antonio, Jan. 20, 1868.

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 Greene's east side of the river.

Office hours before eight o'clock A. M. and from 2 to 4 P. M.
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 a Midwife in Germany, and having some experience as such with good success for long years, I fulfill the paragon of the public of San Antonio and its neighborhood, and grandly justify the confidence which the public may place in me.
My residence is Alamo street, near Feldmann's Bakery.

MARY KLAEBE,
San Antonio, August 29, 1866.

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 practitioners in the city.
Residence, Main Avenue, opposite house of Mr. William Elliot.

C. S. G. NEWTON,
ATTORNEY AT LAW,
414-3rd St.

LEIGH & DITTMAR,
LAWYERS,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
Office opposite Nette's Drug Store, No. 15, 147-dwif

THEO. HERTZBERG & W. BOYER,
Notaries Public,
COMMERCE STREET,
Two doors west of Nette's Drug Store, SAN ANTONIO.

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

JESSE STANDEL,
Attorney & Counsellor at Law,
GALVESTON, TEXAS.
Please call attention to business.
May 17, 1866.

Klopper Hotel.
First Class Entertainment
Mrs. Klopper calls the attention of her friends to the extra facilities for travellers with teams. Attached to her house is a spacious yard fronting on the river, where any quantity of stock can be secured.
41st Commerce street, San Antonio.

WASHINGTON HOTEL,
Galveston, Texas.
H. P. THOMPSON,
Proprietor.
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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 cleanliness, it has no rival in the State.
V. TARDE.
121st

STEVEN'S 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 South 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 refurnished and renovated, we are enabled to offer extra facilities for the comfort and pleasure of our guests.
GEO. K. CHASE & CO.,
June 15-1

Cards of City Merchants.
THE HERTZBERG, SIMON,
HERTZBERG & SIMON,
Glassware, Mouldings,
Fancy Goods, Pictures, Pipes,
Brushes, Stationery, Music,
NEWSPAPER AGENTS,
Commerce Street,
at S. S. Sampson's old stand,
SAN ANTONIO.
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DRESEL & BRIAN,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS
IN
Dry-Goods and Groceries,
SAN ANTONIO,
April 26, 1867.

PHILIP CONRAD,
Dealer in all kinds of FURNITURE and House-Furnishing Goods, Mattress Maker and Upholsterer,
Main Street,
Opposite York & Griesbeck,
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, 1867.

WULF & SHELIG,
Importers
General Commercial Agents,
San Antonio, Texas,
Cor. Alamo & North streets

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

W. A. BENNETT,
Banker,
Dealer in Exchange and Government Securities,
San Antonio.
Will pay particular attention to the collection of Claims and all negotiable notes in Texas.

J. S. Lockwood,
BANKING AND EXCHANGE OFFICE,
on Commerce street,
opposite Bell & Bros. Jewelry store,
San Antonio.
Currency and Exchange bought and sold. Collections made on all accessible points.

E. A. FLORIAN,
INSURANCE AGENT,
No. 2, French's Building,
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
Capital Represented,
\$5,000,000
December 19, 1866.

FOCKE & WILKENS,
COTTON FACTORS,
General Commission Merchants,
Exchange on New Orleans, New York, London, and Hamburg.

ALBERT TURPE,
COMMISSION MERCHANT,
EAGLE PARK, TEXAS.
The highest Cash Price paid for Hides.

EMPIRE
Shuttle Sewing Machines.
ARE SUPERIOR TO ALL OTHERS
Ranging from \$15 to \$24 per Dozen.
Also, fine German Wines, such as—
—CONSISTING OF—
FOR FAMILY AND MANUFACTURING PURPOSES.
Agents wanted. Address: EMPIRE S. M. CO.,
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WM. SMITH BROWN & CO.,
Manufacturers and Wholesale Dealers in
Boots and Shoes,
No. 53 Chambers Street,
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FRANK NEWTON,
DEALER IN
STAPLE AND FANCY GROCERIES,
AND COUNTRY PRODUCE,
SOLEDAD STREET,
Keeps constantly on hand and receiving
FRESH FAMILY SUPPLIES,
of all kinds, and at reasonable rates.

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

E. S. JAFFRAY & CO.,
DRY GOODS,
350 Broadway,
NEW YORK.
Flannels, Hosiery,
Gloves, Dress Shirts,
Collars and Ties,
Ribbons, Laces,
Skirt Braces,
Lace Articles,
Dress Goods, Silks,
White Goods,
Linen Goods,
Embroideries,
English Crapes,
Shawls,
Cloaks,
Yankee Notions, etc., etc., etc.

CONKLIN & DAVIS,
SUCCESSORS TO
J. CONKLIN & CO.,
GROCERS,
COMMISSION MERCHANTS,
No. 24 Front street,
New York.

SCHMITT & VOIGHT,
GENERAL
Commission Merchants,
Handy Building, 41 Pine Street,
GALVESTON, NEW YORK,
August 25.

BURTIS & FRENCH,
Importers and Jobbers of
CROCKERY,
CHINA AND GLASS WARE,
No. 12 Barclay street,
(Four doors below Astor House.)
New York.

BOGERT & OAKLEY,
IMPORTERS AND WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
American, English, German, & French
Hardware,
Cultery,
Guns, &c.,
89 Pearl street, and 36 Stone street,
NEW YORK.

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

W. WESTHOFF,
W. WESTHOFF & CO.,
INDIANOLA, TEXAS.
Wholesale Grocers,
Forwarding and Commission Merchants
And Dealers in Hardware.

G. W. WARE & CO.,
Commission Merchants,
AND DEALERS IN
Hides, Wool, &c.,
LAVACA, TEXAS.

McKENNEY & HAIGNE,
RECEIVING & FORWARDING
General Commission Merchants,
ALEXTON, TEXAS.
We cheerfully recommend this firm as being prompt, reliable, and worthy of patronage.
A. H. EBY, Galveston, Texas.

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.

Grand Army of the Republic—
Address of General Logan.

Post No. 1, soldiers of the Grand Army of the Republic, held a public meeting a few nights since at Union League Hall. Colonel Homer, post commander, introduced General John A. Logan of Illinois, as follows:

Ladies, Gentlemen and Comrades of the Grand Army of the Republic: One who fought traitors as bravely and successfully as the gentleman who will address you to-night—on the ramp from Maine to Mississippi, and in the saddle from the Cumberland to the sea—needs, nor can he have, a better introduction to an assemblage of his countrymen than the mention of his name—General Logan.

General Logan came forward and addressed the assemblage, giving a brief history of the late rebellion, alluded to the courage and firmness with which President Lincoln had met the onset of the pro-slavery and secession party, and the efforts and self-sacrifices of the loyal people to sustain him and maintain the Government.

The speaker referred to the hardships, dangers, sufferings and firmness of the soldiers who upheld the flag and the Government; to the immense cost of treasure and blood; to the grand physical and moral achievements, culminating in final victory; the downfall of slavery and the institution of free government in its stead; of the debt due the soldiers and their dead comrades; the duty the country owes to the widows and orphans of the fallen, and the duty of the Grand Army of the Republic to see that the country paid the debt due her defenders.

Solomon's Temple Examined.

The London Times publishes an interesting letter in regard to the discoveries at Jerusalem, from which we select the following: "The colossal foundations of the temple wall, which are 'stones of ten cubits and stones of eight cubits,' laid by Solomon or his successors on the throne, are now being laid bare at the enormous depth of ninety feet and more beneath the present surface. The bridge that once spanned the ravine between the palace of Zion and the temple of Moriah is now proved to have been upward of 150 feet high.

If this be, as it seems, the ascent to the House of the Lord which Solomon showed to the Queen of Sheba, we cannot wonder that on seeing it there was no spirit in her.

The pinnacle of the Temple on which the temple placed the Saviour has just been uncovered to the base, and is found still to have an elevation of 186 feet. The statement of Josephus is therefore no exaggeration. If any one looked from the battlements into the valley he would be giddy, while his sight could not reach to such an immense depth.

Sections of the ancient wall of Ophel have been examined, showing that, as Josephus says, it was joined to the southeast angle of the Temple. Aqueducts, cisterns, rock-hewn channels and passages have also been discovered within and around the harem, throwing new light on the buildings, the arrangements, and the services of the Temple.

The great work of a complete exploration of ancient Jerusalem is thus fairly and auspiciously commenced. The opportune visit of the Sultan and Grand Vizier to this country, and the representations made to the latter by the Archbishop of York, followed up as they have been by the energy, the wisdom and the tact of Lieutenant Warren and his admirable staff, have smoothed down Moslem prejudice, removed local opposition, and thus brought about opportunities for excavation and exploration such as never occurred before; and besides, large numbers of Arab laborers have been trained to the work, and are eager to be employed; and the exact points for excavation are now well known.

ADVANTAGE OF YEARS.—You are getting into years. Yes, but the years are getting into you—the ripe rich years, the genial, mellow years, the luscious years. One by one the crudities of your youth are falling off from you, of vanity, the egotism, insolation, the bewilderment, the uncertainty. Nearer and nearer you are approaching yourself. You are consolidating your forces. You are becoming master of the situation. On the ruins of shattered plans you find your vantage ground. Your broken hopes, your thwarted purposes, your defeated aspirations, become a staff of strength by which you mount to sublimer heights. With self-possession and self-command of all things, the tide of creation, forfeited, is reclaimed. The king has come to his own again. Earth and sea and sky pour out their largeness of love. All the crowds pass down to lay its treasures at your feet.

GENERAL ITEMS.

OLD-FASHIONED HULLED CORN.—Shell a dozen ears of ripe, dry corn; put it in an iron kettle and cover it with cold water; put in the corn, a bag of two teaspoonfuls of fresh wood-ashes, and boil until the corn looks yellow and tastes strong of the alkali; then take out the bag and boil the corn in the lye over an hour; then pour off the lye; add fresh water and simmer until the corn swells. If the hulls do not then come off by stirring, turn off the water and rub them off with a towel; add more water and simmer for three or four hours, often stirring to keep it from burning; when it swells out and becomes soft and white add salt to liking, and let all the water simmer away. Eat warm or cold, with cream or milk. [Country Gentleman.]

THE LAST OF THE CUNARDERS.—The steamer Africa, which sailed from this port yesterday, was the last Cunard steamer which carries a mail from Boston for Liverpool. The steamer Cuba, Captain Moodie, from Liverpool by way of Queenstown and Halifax, which arrived here this morning, will sail on Tuesday for New York, to take her place in the weekly line from that port to Liverpool, without touching at Halifax. Our capitalists now have a fair field to build the new line between this port and Liverpool. [Boston Traveller, Jan. 2.]

The annual report of the keepers of the Boston public library show the total number of books in use during the year to have been 208,968, a daily average of 754. The greatest delivery in any single day was 1813 volumes. The expenses of the institution amounted to \$52,958.

Richard F. Spofford, the husband of Harriet Prescott Spofford, is a very clever poet, but too indolent to write. A few weeks since he recited almost impromptu a poem to his wife, who insisted upon his committing it to paper. He did so at last, when Mrs. S. sent it to the Atlantic, and received \$50 for it by the return of mail.

DUNCANSON, the mulatto artist of Cincinnati, has made a comfortable fortune by his paintings, which are remarkable for their dreamy atmosphere and delicacy of coloring.

"Who owns the city of New York today?" asked Mr. Beecher, in his sermon of last Sunday night, and his prompt query was, "the devil."

There are 134 people in the city of Providence R. I., over 70 years of age.

KATE FISHER received New Year's calls in Buffalo on her trained horse woad.

The end of the world has again been postponed by the Millerites.

Judge Basted is reported as improving in health. His wounds are healing, and his recovery is probable.

The following advertisement is from a London newspaper: "Wanted, a general servant, in a small family, where a man is kept. The housework and cooking all done by members of the family. The gentleman of the house rises early, but prepares the breakfast himself. All the washing is put out, and the kitchen provided with every comfort and luxury. Cold meat and hash studiously avoided. Wages no objection to a competent party. References and photographs exchanged."

Strange things happen in Boston churches. Thus, on Christmas day, *pater familias* walked upon one of the aisles thereof, and neglected to remove his hat until his pilgrimage was half over. When he did take off his head-covering, all observers were duly edified by the sight of a dancing-jack bestriding his bald pate. The puppet had been purchased for home display—an exhibition forestalled by the after-thought of going to church.

SWEET CORN FOR PORK.—A new idea in fattening hogs has been started by Caleb Plaistridge, of Lebanon, N. H. For twenty years he has planted each year a quarter of an acre of sweet corn, and killed three hogs. He provides them with a large sily sty, with troughs so arranged that they do not interfere with each other in feeding. They have free access to a large dry yard, through which flows a spring of water. When his sweet corn is large enough to roast, he begins to feed it stalk and all, in the yard, giving them all the swill they will eat. When they refuse to eat the stalk he feeds only the corn, and has not failed but twice to bring his hogs to weigh over 500 pounds each. He thinks that properly fed the sweet corn adds 200 pounds to each of his hogs. That would be 600 pounds of pork for the quarter acre of sweet corn, equal to \$36 at 60 per acre.

HIGHEST MARKET PRICE.

Local Intelligence.

Entertainment

AT THE CASINO HALL.

Saturday, January 25, 1868.

Doors open at 7 o'clock, performance to commence at 8 o'clock.

None but members and their guests admitted.

ONE DAILY PAPER.

The San Antonio Express is the only daily paper published in Western Texas. We publish FIFTY-TWO PAPERS A YEAR MORE THAN THE HERALD.

Subscribe for the only daily paper in the city and support enterprise.

A UNION DOG.—The gentlemen at the Alamo depot, in charge of government property, have a favorite dog which they call Cruiser.

WAR UPON THE CARRETTOS.—On the 14th of November the carts of Diego Gonzales started to Port Lavaca, under the charge of Julio Rodriguez.

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STOLEN PROPERTY.—Officers McNeil and Smith of the Police force were put on track of the property stolen from the Government Warehouse on the 21st.

GEN. HANCOCK is in the State, his object is unknown. His visit can certainly do no good, his ear is closed to loyal men.

CONVENTION.—Some of the delegates to the nominating Convention, to be held on the 27th inst., suggest that the members of the Convention meet at the Hall over Heritsberg & Simon's store at 3 o'clock Monday afternoon.

UNION RALLY AT SEGON.—The Republican fires are kindling all over the State. The Union men of Guadalupe County meet to-day en masse at Segon.

P. C. TAYLOR.—This fussy individual found himself in jail yesterday for violation of a city ordinance, he was fined \$5, and refused to pay.

MAYOR'S COURT, January 24, 1868.—Bentura Rodriguez, for disturbing the peace, fined \$5 and costs.

NEW GOODS.—Rhodius & Co., are receiving a splendid stock of Groceries, direct from New York, enterprise is not dead yet.

Capt. Merritt understands the wants of the people. His rich yellow butter, fine hams, &c., seem to win him the warmest friends.

Tax robbery at the government clothing warehouse, is not so extensive as at first supposed; only a few coats and other articles were taken.

MADAME GARNIER BERNARD.—Has the honor to announce to the citizens of San Antonio, that she has opened a school to teach the French language, etc.

Notice to Holders of City Scrip.

NOTICE is hereby given, that the time for receiving City Scrip at this office expires on the 25th day of January, A. D. 1868.

F. KALTEYER, APOTHECARY AND DRUGGIST.

Has just received direct from Europe, a well selected supply of

English Mustard, Acetic Acid, Oil of Bergamot, Oil of Lemon, Superior Steel Pens and Pen Holders, Block Tin, India Rubber, Capping Glasses, Medicine Chests, Medical Saddle-bags, Genuine Eau de Cologne.

Groversten & Co., Piano Forte Manufacturers, 499 Broadway, NEW YORK.

These Pianos received the Highest Award of Merit at the World's Fair, over the best makers from London, Paris, Germany, the cities of New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Boston.

Historical, Philosophical, Biographical and Miscellaneous Books, Stationery, AND NOTIONS.

GAMBLE'S BOOK STORE, 17 Commerce Street. JUST RECEIVED A FRESH SUPPLY OF

STATIONERY— for Commercial purposes, Ladies' Bath Gift Note, Octavo and Billot Paper; Lined Envelopes, &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.

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.

A Select Assortment of Fancy Groceries, Such as Can-Fruits, Jellies, Preserves, Figs, &c. Always on Hand. San Antonio, Oct. 2, 1867.

C. E. JEFFERSON, DAN MURPHY, AUCTIONEERS, AND COMMERCIAL BROKERS, Main Plaza, San Antonio, Texas. Respectfully Solicit Consignments.

THE 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, and is not subject to be blown out by the strongest breeze or gust of air.

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STOVES!



COOKING, PARLOR, AND BOX STOVES! Just received by LEROUX & COSGROVE.

REWARD & 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, Hinges, Screws, etc.

NORTON & DEUTZ, Main Plaza, San Antonio, DEALERS IN Hardware, Stoves, Agricultural Implements, Woodenware, Window Glass, Paints, Oils, Leather, Arms and GARDEN SEEDS.

SHIPPING Commission Merchants, 36 FOURTH STREET, NEW YORK.

C. H. MOORE & COMPANY, Shippers and Dealers in Doors, Glazed Sash, and Painted Blinds.

Cavalry Horses Wanted Immediately! Two Hundred and Seventy-Seven Horses.

HOUSE TO RENT. One of the finest houses in the city, situated on the east side of the river, adjoining the residence of Mr. Fentzenreider.

HUNGARIAN LEECHES. Just received and for sale by A. NETTE.

THE HEALING POOL and House of Mercy. HOWARD ASSOCIATION REPORTS for young men on the crime of Solitude, and the errors, a disease, and disease which during the many years, and create impediments to marriage, with sure means of relief.

To Marry or not to Marry! Serious Reflections for Young Men, in Essays of the Howard Association, on the Physiological Errors, Abuses and Diseases induced by Ignorance of Nature's Laws.

Special Notices.

A Cough, a Cold, or a Sore Throat.

Requires immediate attention, and should be checked.

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.

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To Music Teachers and Dealers. The subscriber is fully prepared to furnish Sheet Music, Strings, Musical Instruments, and Music Books of all kinds at the lowest trade rates, wholesale and retail, from the largest collections in this country.

ERRORS OF YOUTH. 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.

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Information. Guaranteed to produce a luxuriant growth of hair upon a bald head or hairless face; also, a recipe for the removal of Pimples, Blisters, Eruptions, etc., on the skin; having the same soft, clear, and beautiful, can be obtained without charge by addressing THOS. F. CHAPMAN, Chemist, 523 Broadway, N. Y.

SLOCUM'S BOOK STORE, Commerce Street, Opposite Bell's Jewelry Store. Keeps constantly on hand School Books at Wholesale and Retail.

STATIONERY of all kinds. CHILDREN'S BOOKS, Catholic & Episcopal Prayer Books, and other Books. Suitable for Presents! A large assortment of PHOTOGRAPHIC ALBUMS, Toilet Articles, Pen Knives, and Miscellaneous Articles.

THE INDELEBIL PENCIL. With Lead and Retail. The Latest Novels constantly on hand. Cards of all kinds. In fine a full assortment of everything relating to this line of business.

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

Steinway's Pianos. The first Grand Gold Medal awarded at the Universal Exposition in Paris, 1867, for the three styles, viz: Grand, Square and Upright.

MIDES. Bought at the HIGHEST MARKET PRICE.

OFFICIAL LAWS UNITED STATES Passed at the Second Session of the Thirty-Seventh Congress.

CHAP. CLXXXIII.—An Act to establish and equalize the Grade of Line Officers of the United States Navy.

SEC. 7. And be it further enacted, That no rear admiral may be appointed by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, who shall be selected, during war, from those officers upon the active list not below the grade of commanders, who have distinguished themselves, or shall hereafter most eminently distinguish themselves by courage, skill, and genius, in their profession; Provided, That no officer shall be promoted to this grade unless, upon recommendation of the President, by name, he has received the thanks of Congress for distinguished services. During times of peace, vacancies in this grade shall be filled by regular promotion from the list of commanders, subject to examination as aforesaid.

SEC. 8. And be it further enacted, That whenever upon the recommendation of the President of the United States, any officer of the navy now upon the active list, not below the grade of commander, has received, or shall receive, by name, during the present war, a vote of thanks of Congress for distinguished services, such officer shall not be retired except for cause until he has been fifty-five years in the naval service. If the United States is at peace, the President may, in his discretion, advance any officer of the navy or marine corps may be advanced one grade, in upon recommendation of the President, by name, he receives the thanks of Congress for highly distinguished conduct in conflict with the enemy, or for extraordinary heroism in the line of his profession.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That any person who shall have received or shall hereafter receive a temporary appointment as acting volunteer lieutenant or acting instructor in the navy from civil life, authorized by the act of Congress of July twenty-four, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, may be confirmed in said appointment in the navy, and be in the line of promotion from the date of said confirmation, if, upon the recommendation of Congress for highly meritorious conduct in conflict with the enemy, or for extraordinary heroism in the line of their profession, he is distinguished by the Secretary of the Navy, and he is hereby authorized to assign clerks and laborers attached to one bureau to duty in another, and also to detail a surgeon or assistant surgeon, or paid assistant surgeon, as assistant to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, who shall receive the highest shore pay of his grade.

SEC. 11. And be it further enacted, That the students at the Naval Academy shall be styled midshipmen, and until their final graduating examination, when, if successful, they shall be commissioned ensigns, ranking according to merit. The number allowed at the academy shall be ten for every member and del. gen. of the House of Representatives, two for the District of Columbia, and ten at large. They shall be selected from the best of families and religiously, physically sound, and well formed, and of robust constitution. They shall be examined for admittance into the academy according to the regulations which shall be issued by the Secretary of the Navy, and if rejected shall not have the privilege of another examination for admittance to the same class, unless recommended by the board of examiners. The President shall select two from the District of Columbia and the ten at large, and the President shall also be allowed three yearly appointments of midshipmen, who shall be not over eighteen years of age, who shall be selected from boys entered in the navy, and who have been at least one year in the navy, and six months of which shall have been sea service. From and after the fifth of March, eight hundred and sixty-three, the nomination of candidates for admittance into the Naval Academy shall be made between the 5th of March and the 5th of July of each year upon the recommendation of the member or delegate, from actual residents of his district, and they shall be examined for admittance in July. Provided, That when a candidate who has been nominated shall upon examination be found physically or mentally disqualified for admittance, the member or delegate from whom he was recommended shall be notified, and he may recommend another candidate, who shall be examined in September following. And it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Navy, as soon after the 5th of March as possible, to notify, in writing, each member and delegate of any vacancy that may exist in his district; and if said member or delegate neglects to recommend a candidate by the first of July in that year, then it shall be the duty of the Secretary of the Navy to fill the vacancy. Midshipmen admitted at any examination shall not be continued at the academy, or in the service, unless upon recommendation of the academic board; nor shall any officer of the navy who has been dismissed by sentence of a court-martial, or suffered to resign to escape such, ever again become an officer of the navy; Provided, however, That no greater number of midshipmen shall be appointed by the President at large under this or any other law of Congress shall be allowed by the provisions of this section.

SEC. 12. And be it further enacted, That the three senior rear admirals shall wear a square blue flag at the mainmast head; the next three at the foremast head; and all others at the Mizzen.

SEC. 13. And be it further enacted, That the relative rank between officers of the navy and the army shall be as follows, inel rank only to be considered: Rear Admirals with major generals. Commanders with brigadier generals. Captains with colonels. Commanders with lieutenant colonels. Lieutenant commanders with majors. Lieutenants with captains. Masters with first lieutenants. Ensigns with second lieutenants.

SEC. 14. And be it further enacted, That there may be allowed upon the retired list nineteen rear admirals and eighteen commodores. The rear admirals shall be selected by the President, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, from those captains who have given the most faithful service to their country. The eighteen commodores shall be recommended from the list of captains by an advisory board of admirals. After the above numbers are commissioned, promotion to those grades upon the retired list shall be by seniority, subject to an advisory board.

SEC. 15. And be it further enacted, That from and after the passage of this act the annual pay of the several ranks and grades of officers of the navy on the active list, hereinafter named, shall be as follows: Rear admirals, when at sea, shall receive five thousand dollars;

When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, three thousand dollars. Commodores, when at sea, shall receive four thousand dollars.

When on shore duty, three thousand two hundred dollars. When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, two thousand four hundred dollars.

Captains, when at sea, shall receive three thousand five hundred dollars. When on shore duty, two thousand eight hundred dollars.

When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, two thousand one hundred dollars. Commanders, when at sea, shall receive two thousand eight hundred dollars.

When on shore duty, two thousand two hundred dollars. When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, one thousand six hundred and eighty dollars.

Lieutenant commanders, when at sea, shall receive two thousand three hundred and forty-three dollars.

When on shore duty, one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.

When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, one thousand five hundred dollars.

Lieutenants, when at sea, shall receive one thousand eight hundred and seventy-five dollars.

When on shore duty, one thousand and five hundred dollars.

When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, one thousand two hundred dollars.

Masters, when at sea, shall receive one thousand five hundred dollars.

When on shore duty, one thousand two hundred dollars.

When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, nine hundred and sixty dollars.

Ensigns, when at sea, shall receive one thousand two hundred dollars.

When on shore duty, nine hundred and sixty dollars.

When on leave of absence, or waiting orders, seven hundred and sixty-eight dollars.

Midshipmen shall receive five hundred dollars.

SEC. 16. And be it further enacted, That whenever any officer of the navy, of a class subject by law or regulation to examination before promotion to a higher grade, shall have been absent on duty at the time when he should have been examined, and shall have been found qualified at a subsequent examination, the increased rate of pay to which he may be entitled shall be allowed to him from the date when he would have received it had he been found qualified at the time when his examination should have taken place.

SEC. 17. And be it further enacted, That in calculating the graduated pay of boat swains, gunners, carpenters, and sailmakers in the navy, as established by law, the sea service shall be computed from the dates of their appointments or entry into the service in their respective grades in lieu of the dates of their warrants.

SEC. 18. And be it further enacted, That the Secretary of the Navy be, and he is hereby authorized to assign clerks and laborers attached to one bureau to duty in another, and also to detail a surgeon or assistant surgeon, or paid assistant surgeon, as assistant to the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, who shall receive the highest shore pay of his grade.

SEC. 19. And be it further enacted, That all officers while at sea, or attached to a sailing vessel, shall be allowed one ration.

SEC. 20. And be it further enacted, That the relative rank between officers of the navy and army on the retired list shall be the same as on the active list, and the annual pay of retired naval officers shall be as follows, viz: Admirals, two thousand dollars. Commodores, eighteen hundred dollars. Captains, sixteen hundred dollars. Commanders, fourteen hundred dollars. Lieutenant commanders, thirteen hundred dollars. Lieutenants, one thousand dollars. Masters, eight hundred dollars. Ensigns, five hundred dollars.

And no officer shall be allowed of any officers of the navy on the retired list. And the pay of all naval officers appointed by virtue of an act entitled "An act to provide for the temporary increase of the navy," approved July twenty-fourth eighteen hundred and sixty-one, shall be the same as that of officers of a like grade in the regular navy.

Approved, July 16, 1862.

CHAP. CLXXXIV.—An Act to amend an Act entitled "An act to further promote the efficiency of the navy," approved December twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-one.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section eight of an act to further promote the efficiency of the navy, approved December twenty-first, eighteen hundred and sixty-one, be amended so as to read as follows: That the hours of labor and the rate of wages of the employees in the navy yards, shall conform, as nearly as is consistent with the public interest, with those of private establishments in the immediate vicinity of the respective yards, to be determined by the commandants of the navy yards, subject to the approval and revision of the Secretary of the Navy.

Approved, July 16, 1862.

CHAP. CLXXXV.—An act transferring the Western Gunboat Fleet from the War to the Navy Department.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the western gunboat fleet constructed by the War Department for operations on the western waters shall be transferred to the Navy Department, which will be hereafter changed with the exception of its repair, support, and maintenance; Provided, That all vessels now under construction or repair by authority of the War Department shall be completed and paid for under the authority of that department from appropriations made for that purpose.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage. Approved, July 16, 1862.

Additional Duty on Sugars produced in the United States.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That, in addition to the duties imposed by 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, on all brown muscovado and white sugars produced directly from the sugar cane, there shall be levied, collected, and paid, under the provisions of said act, upon all such sugars produced in the United States, a duty of one cent per pound; and such additional duty and the duty specified in the act aforesaid shall be levied, collected and paid on all sugars, not manufactured for consumption in the family of the producer, in the hands of the producer or manufacturer thereof or his agent or factor, on the day of the approval of this act by the President; Provided, That within States or parts of States declared to be in insurrection the said duties may be collected by such mayor and by such officers as the President may direct until the insurrection so declared shall cease or have been suppressed.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That the provision of this act shall not apply to sugar manufactured from sorghum.

Approved, July 16, 1862.

CHAP. CLXXXVIII.—An act to punish the fraudulent Sale or Use of Postage Stamps.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That any person who shall willfully remove or cause to be removed from any postage stamp, a stamped envelope, or any other article of postage, or shall knowingly or wilfully sell or buy such stamped or restored stamps, or offer the same for sale, or give or expose the same to any person for use, or knowingly use the same, or prepare the same with intent for the second use thereof, every such person shall, upon conviction thereof, be adjudged guilty of felony, and shall be punished by imprisonment not exceeding three years or by fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by both imprisonment and fine as aforesaid; and one half such fine, when collected, shall be paid to the informer.

Approved, July 16, 1862.

CHAP. CLXXXIX.—An act in Relation to the Competency of Witnesses, and for other Purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the laws of the State of New York, the act of Congress held shall be the rules of decisions as to the competency of witnesses in the courts of the United States, in trials at common law, in equity, and admiralty.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That so much of section twenty-nine of an act entitled "An act to establish the judicial courts of the United States," approved September twenty-four, eighteen hundred and eighty-one, as requires, in cases punishable with death, that the jury shall be composed of twelve persons, and the same is hereby repealed.

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