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SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1868.

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BLMENDORF & CO.,
Hardware Merchants,
MAIN PLAZA.
 HAVE on hand, and offer for sale
English and American Cutlery,
 Iron and Steel of all sizes,
 Carpenters Tools,
 Mill and Cross cut Saws of all sizes,
 Boring Machines,
 Nails of all sizes,
 Butts, Hinges, Screws, etc.
 Door, Cabinet and Trunk Locks of all kinds,
 Shoe Makers and Saddlery Tools and Trimmings
 Buckles, Rings, &c.
 Handle Bits and Webbing,
 Oil Cloth, Hammes, Collars, &c.,
 Tin Rivets and Kettles, &c. &c.
 Steel Hoes and Agricultural Implements,
 And a general assortment of
HARDWARE.
 Also: Paints, Oils,
 Turpentine and Glass,
 Paint, Shoe and Clothes Brushes,
 Petroleum and Lamps.
Colt's Army and Navy Size Pistols,
 Powder, Shot and Caps, and all other arti-
 cles in their line of business at low prices.
Laudreth's Garden Seeds
 always on hand.
 Sole Agents for Herring's Safe's; also, for
 Planer and Kayser's Sewing Machines.
 May 24, 1866. no551f

LEROUX & COSGROVE.


TIN-SHEET IRON
And Copper-Ware Manufacturers,
 And Dealers in Castings and Hollow-Ware
 of all descriptions. Wood and Willow ware,
 Tin Plate, Block Tin Lead, Wire, Kettle
 caps, Copper and Brass, and a general as-
 sortment of Tinner's Furnishing Goods.
 Have just received and constantly receiv-
 ing a fine assortment of Cooking Stoves,
 comprising the celebrated
Cotton Plant.

Queen of the South.
Magnolia, Delta, Picayune,
Texans and Mutual Friend.
 Also, a fine assortment of Well and Clef-
 tern Pumps, with galvanized Iron and Lead
 Pipe, Coal Oil and Coal Oil Lamps, Ward's
 Union Washing Machine, Messers Five
 minute Ice Cream Freezers,
 And the Steel Spring Parlor Rocking Chair
 Particular attention paid to the Manu-
 facture of Tin-ware, Tin Roofing and Gutting.
 Our ambition is, quick sales and small profits.
LEROUX & COSGROVE,
 May 19, 1867. Commerce Street.

NORTON & DEUTZ.
 Main Plaza, San Antonio.

Hardware & Cutlery.
Woodenware,
LEATHER,
Paints and Glass,
Agricultural Implements.

PUMPS, STOVES, ARMS, &c.
 July 7d1f

A. BOYD DORENUS, D. D. S.

DENTAL SURGEON.
 Permanently Established in San Antonio.

GEORGE HERNER'S
BAR-ROOM,
 Main Street, San Antonio, Texas.
 HAS the very best of Liquors, Wines, Ci-
 gars, &c., &c. Where those who derive plea-
 sure from the "O Be Joyful," will find com-
 fort and consolation. dec25 1f

Cards of City Merchants.
DRESEL & BRIAN,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL DEALERS
Dry-Goods and Groceries,
AND
IMPORTERS OF
California Wine.
 San Antonio, April 20, 1867. 1139f

STEELE & WILLIAMS,
 (Late John Withers & Co.)
Commission Merchants,
 Commerce Street,
 June 3d & w 3m. SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

J. M. WAGAR,
MERCHANT TAILOR.
 Plaza House, San Antonio, Texas.
 march 9d1f, Latest Paris Fashions.

WULFF & SHETELIG,
Importers
 General Commercial Agents,
 CHICAGO. SAN ANTONIO,
 Mexico. Texas,
 1228 cor. Alamo & North streets

BELL & BRO'S,
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 TRINKETS.
 Gold, Silver, Steel and Tortoise-shell Spec-
 tacles and Eye Glasses, with Pebble and
 Glass Lenses, suitable for the aged or near-
 sighted.

Engravers and Manufacturers
 of all articles in their line.
Watches, Clocks and Jewelry,
 repaired and warranted.
ORDERS FILLED PROMPTLY.
 Commerce Street,
 Five doors east of Main Plaza,
 Opposite their Old Stand.
SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.
 March 29, 1866

B. OPPENHEIMER & CO.
 Importers and Dealers in
STAPLE AND FANCY
DRY GOODS, CLOTHING, BOOTS
and Shoes, Hats, Hosiery, Gents'
Furnishing Goods Notions, &c.
 38 & 40 Commerce Street.
 (Opposite the Foot Bridge.)
 Jan 16 1f

RESTAURANT.
 R. McDONALD would respectfully notify
 the old patrons of
Whitehead's Restaurant,
 that he has located that establishment and
 will keep constantly on hand the choicest
 viands to be found in this market.
 Don't forget Judge Whitehead's stand on
 the Main Plaza.
 San Antonio, Jan. 23, 1868. (dtf)

Kloppner Hotel.
 FIRST-CLASS ENTERTAINMENT!
 Mrs. KLOPPNER 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 quan-
 tity of stock can be secured.
 Commerce street, San Antonio.

THE TARDE HOUSE,
CASTROVILLE, TEXAS.
 The above named well-known Hotel is
 open for the accommodation of the traveling
 or pleasure-seeking public. The arrange-
 ments 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.
 1211f

LEATHER!!
 A large assortment of
 Harness, Shirting and Bridle Leather, Belt-
 ing Leather, Oak and Hemlock Sole Leath-
 er, Kipkins, French Calf skins, Linings,
 &c., &c. Just received and for sale at
NORTON & DEUTZ
 aug 13d1m.

NOTICE.
 The co-partnership heretofore existing be-
 tween W. E. Friedlander and W. H. Eckles is
 this day dissolved by mutual consent. W. E.
 Friedlander having purchased the entire inter-
 est and is authorized to collect all outstanding
 claims due the old firm, and will continue the
 business under the style of "W. E. Friedlander
 & Co."
 W. E. FRIEDLANDER,
 Fort Stockton, Aug. 13th, 1868. (aug 27 42w

KEROSENE! **KEROSENE!!**
 20) Cases Doves Brilliant. For sale by
 sept. 2 35m) H. GRENET.

City Cards.
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

PHILIP CONRAD.
 Dealer in all kinds of FURNITURE
 and House Furnishing Goods, Mattress
 Maker and Upholsterer,
MAIN STREET,
 Opposite York & Greenback.
 Keeps constantly on hand a full assort-
 ment of Mattresses, and offers his services
 for repairing furniture, paper hanging, cur-
 tain hanging, and carpeting.
 San Antonio, May 6th. dtf

Malcom G. Anderson, Theophilus G. Anderson
ANDERSON & BRO.,
ATTORNEYS-AT-LAW
 San Antonio, Texas.
 Office, up stairs Russi Building, on the
 Military Plaza. (July 7d1f)

JACK COCKE,
LAWYER.
 Office, west side of Military Plaza,
 near Courthouse. (April 2d1f)

S. G. NEWTON,
ATTORNEY AT LAW
 414-3m4w1f SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

Dr. T. Templeman van der Hoeven
 OPPOSITE NEW ARSENAL,
FLORENCE STREET.
 may 12d1y.

DR. WEISSELBERG,
Physician and Surgeon,
 OFFICE, at Nette's Drug Store,
 On Commerce Street,
 San Antonio, Jan. 3rd, 1867. dtw1f

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. (dtw1f)

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 for
 his market. 41-1f

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, also to in-
 struct in dress making and embroidery.
 Persons who will favor her with their patron-
 age, may convince themselves in advance,
 of good results.
 Residence, Alamo street, opposite Yalt-
 man's. (Jan 15d1f)

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. 86 1f

J. WESTHOFF, L. FREUSE.
W. WESTHOFF & CO.,
INDIANOLA, TEXAS,
Wholesale Grocers,
Forwarding and Commission Merchants
And Dealers in Hardware.
 Liberal advances made on consign-
 ments of Country Produce. 117f

To Consumptives.
 The Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON will send
 (free of charge) to all who desire it, the pre-
 scription, with the directions for making and
 using the simple remedy by which he was
 cured of a Lung Affection and that dread
 disease, Consumption. His only object is to
 benefit the afflicted, and he hopes every suf-
 ferer will try this prescription, as it will cost
 them nothing, and may give a blessing.
 Please address
 Rev. EDWARD A. WILSON,
 No. 165 South Second Street,
 Williamsburgh, N. Y.
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The Josh Billings Papers.
QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.
 Qu.—Did you ever see an old horse,
 holler-eyed and bony, limp-legged and
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To Preserve Peaches.
 Place in an iron kettle two quarts of
 good, sweet, fresh, wood ashes (not cool
 ashes) cover with four quarts of soft
 water, and let it boil for a few minutes.
 Put in a dozen or so of peaches, and
 keep the pot boiling; count twenty mod-
 erately and take out the peaches, throw-
 ing them immediately into a pail of cold
 water. Take one in your hand and with
 the thumb gently remove the skin. It
 will slip off almost without this aid, leav-
 ing a round, beautiful ball in your hand;
 pass this to another pail of water, from
 which they may be halved, stoned, or
 quartered, as desired. If the eye fails to
 affect the skin, the ashes are not good,
 or it is not strong enough, and more
 ashes should be added. Remember,
 that wood ashes should be used. The
 peaches should on no account remain in
 the boiling lye long enough to cook
 them ever so lightly.
 The secret of bottling fruit success-
 fully is not in the quantity of sugar used,
 not the absence of water, or in the length
 of time boiled—all of which were actual
 requirements in the old fashioned man-
 ner of preserving—but the secret lies in
 there being no germ of fermentation left
 undestroyed in the fruit itself, and in the
 actual expulsion and exclusion of the
 air. Boiling the fruit expands it, and
 to make room for the expansion the air
 must be expelled, and hermetically seal-
 ing the bottles while the contents are in
 this heated and expanded state, precludes
 the possibility of the air again entering
 while the bottle and fruit are cooling.
 When a quantity of peaches are ready,
 prepare your bottles by putting them
 into warm water to season them. Place
 upon the stove in a clean porcelain or
 brass kettle, two quarts of water and
 perhaps a pound of white sugar, or
 sweeten to any extent desired. When
 boiling, put in a quantity of peaches,
 either whole or in halves, and the mo-
 ment they boil positively all throughout,
 with a fork take out a peach, at a time
 and fill one bottle, being careful not to
 crush or bruise them; then with a hot
 teacup fill up to the brim of the bottle
 with some of the boiling syrup, and seal
 immediately.
 Place each bottle on a tin plate and
 allow it to stand there until filled and
 sealed. Care should be taken to put
 into the kettle as nearly as possible a
 quantity of fruit proportionate to one or
 two or three bottles, as it is desirable
 not to renew the kettle while any fruit
 remains in the syrup, as they will boil
 too much and the syrup will not be clear.
 If one or two should be left over, remove
 to a dish each time, and when the others
 are done, place these in the kettle, give
 them a boil up, and bottle by themselves
 or have them for tea. As the syrup is
 exhausted in the kettle add more water
 and sugar. Have a kettle of boiling
 water on the back of the stove, and using
 this yu will not have to wait long for
 the syrup to boil. Fourteen ordinary
 sized peaches halved will be sufficient
 for a quart bottle, and ten where the
 stones are not removed.

An Omaha man, writing of the Pa-
 cific Railroad, says, if Brigham Young
 is as energetic in leveling down the hills
 and grading up the valleys as he is in
 spreading the faith and begueting the
 faithful, all of which is claimed for him
 by his friends, July 4th, 1869, will be
 celebrated in Salt Lake City by the
 opening of the great road to that point;
 and if the Union Central Company is un-
 successful in pushing its road as the
 Union Pacific Railroad Company will be,
 then the Atlantic and Pacific will be
 united at that time—when yu can list-
 en to Beecher of New York on Sun-
 day, and to Stebbins of San Fran-
 cisco on the next—and in the mean-
 time at end the Thursday prayer meet-
 ings in the tabernacle of Brigham
 Young.

A MAD BULL.—One of the prettiest
 pets in the world is a mad Texas bull,
 horns three feet long, tearing along the
 streets like a streak of greased lightning,
 and no place for a fellow to go to for
 cover. An overgrown beef, goaded to
 madness by bull drivers at the stock
 landing, yesterday escaped from all con-
 trol, and tore out Falton and Harmony
 streets, bellowing small thunder, and
 did not halt until he stunned himself
 against a lamp-post, which he broke to
 pieces, and floored himself. Then he
 was captured.—New Orleans Republic-
 an.

We clip from the El Dorado Democ-
 rat the following:
 Masonic.—At a meeting in April of
 Caledonia Lodge, No. 118, Charles J.
 Gilbert was expelled for gross unmusic-
 ic conduct.
 All papers in Arkansas, Mississippi,
 Louisiana and Texas.
 Musical.—

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 vate opinun ov human happiness, but
 all that I kan say for it iz that it resem-
 bles a new penny hole in among a par-
 cel ov ragged yung ones; awl ov them
 are immediately crazy for the cent, but
 only one ov them gits it.
 Qu.—Yung man like me tew read,
 who am very anxious tew be ful ov wis-
 dum?
 Ans.—Don't read but one good book
 at a time, and as soon as yu git thru
 with that keep a reading it over agin.
 He who reads everything, iz like he who
 drinks everything, he gits as full as a
 soder fountain, with just about as mutch
 whiz in him. It iz better tew be a
 good deal like samboddy than tew be a
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SUNDAY, SEPT. 12, 1868.

Headquarters of the National Republican Convention at Chicago, May 21, '68.

For President. U. S. GRANT. For Vice-President. Schuyler Colfax.

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TO OUR PATRONS.—We have been making some changes in our carriers, any of our patrons not receiving their paper will please report the fact to this office.

A Division of the State.

The question of a division of the State has been so thoroughly canvassed, that little now can be said of the policy or profit of such a measure.

The history of the recent reconstruction convention must prove to every resident of Western Texas the great importance of an immediate division of the State before the work of reconstruction becomes chrysalized.

The Central Railroad is already powerful enough to wield the political influence of the State to suit its aims. Already a political combination at the capital directs all the legislation of the State into the rapacious maw of this railroad monopoly.

Everything is in store for us in the future; all is before us, and now is the time to save our section from being sacrificed.

It has been fully developed in this convention that a majority of members favor a division of the State, and that at the next session a division will take place.

Merchant Train—Murder added to Robbery.

We learn further of the daring robbery committed a few days since, between Yorktown and the Cibolo. It seems the robbers were four in number, the two wagons robbed were driven by a negro and a German.

This is a matter that interests the whole country; if highwaymen thus infest one of our most frequented thoroughfares without check, where will the matter end?

COTTON WORM.—Most of the complaints about this pest comes from Crokers. Texas will have a larger crop than ever produced in the State before.

News of the Cotton Crop.

The Brazos Signal says the worm is at work in various parts of Fort Bend county, and planters are fearful of their ravages.

The town of Richmond seems to be going ahead. The Signal says that all the carpenters are hard at work—some even working by candle-light.

It is said that two or three more brick-moulding machines will soon be in operation at the Concrete Brick-yard, which will add considerably to the number of bricks turned out per diem.

In Red River county, the Clarksville Standard says that the cotton crop is doing well though in some fields shedding for want of moisture.

The Bryan News-Letter says that in Brazos county, the cotton worm is doing considerable damage to the young cotton, but benefitting the old cotton.

Cotton has been coming in quite briskly during the present week. The worm, during the last four or five days, has appeared nearly everywhere, and the damage done was considerable.

We saw sixteen bales of new cotton on the streets, yesterday, which was shipped direct to Houston, and was sold here for 18 1/2c. in gold.—[Houston Telegraph]

The Brenham Banner says that Mr. B. Jones, a prominent merchant of Union Hill, reports the worm to be at work in that neighborhood, but says no great damage has yet been done.

We have made a careful inquiry as possible, since our return from Galveston, and are satisfied that the chief injury has been sustained in this and the Chapel Hill neighborhood.

While in the act of writing, Mr. E. C. Williamson, from Nelsonville, just over the Austin county line, informs us that the ravages of the worm in that neighborhood have been very destructive.

By next issue, we shall try and have reports from Washington, Independence, Gay Hill, Long Point, Pine Grove, Mill Creek and Wesley.

Since our last issue the cotton worm has been very destructive in its ravages here. It is in all crops, so far as we can learn; has stripped the cotton of its leaves, and has devoured the young bolls to the size of a man's thumb, and even larger.

The worm we learn has also made its appearance in Polk and Tyler counties, and is doing a similar damage to the cotton in those counties to what it is doing here.—Tyler Gazette, Sept. 4.

Cotton picking has been prosecuted in real earnest during the last two weeks, in this and the adjoining counties. Although the yield will not be as large as our farmers were led in the earlier part of the season to suppose, yet the crop will probably be larger than that of any previous year.

With a good season for picking the crop in this county will be a heavy one, and from what we can learn it will be very fine in the adjoining counties.—Ellis county Argus, Sept. 4.

We are told by reliable farmers that the cotton worm is doing considerable

benefitting the old cotton, where it is infested with this ravenous insect. The weather seems to be fair again, and a few degrees rise in the thermometer will do away with this destructive pest.—Bryan News-Letter, Sept. 5.

The Huntsville Times says that Walker county crop is very various. Some old planters say they are making more cotton on the acre than ever made in the county. Others have long faces and say the worm is taken over crops.

RAIN! RAIN!—It has been raining incessantly for the last ten days. The whole earth is flooded with water. Some of the most reliable farmers in this country say we need not expect half a crop of cotton. The boll worm destroyed most of the middle crop; the army worm is now destroying the top, and if the rain continues the bottom crop will all rot. Such is life—where we expect the most, we get the least.—La Grange New Era, Sept. 5th.

A single pair of caterpillars, if let alone will strip the leaves from a young orchard in a few weeks. They need as much watching as politicians.

If Mr. Charles King will communicate with the editor of this paper, he will hear something of interest.

Eleven hundred and seventy-five barrels of beer were made and sold in Davenport, Iowa, last year, beside 390 barrels imported. The Davenport people, in the language of the editor Mr. Weller, have "a terrible power of suction."

The latest pedestrian feat in England was a novel one. On a wager of £20 a man accomplished five miles in one hour. One of these was run, one was walked, a third he wheeled a barrow, the fourth trundled a hoop, and the fifth was hopped on one leg. He had two minutes to spare.

In Newark, N. J., the other day, a woman not over prepossessing in form or features, applied to a Justice for a warrant against a neighbor who had designated her as a "telegraph pole." She was highly indignant because her demand was not complied with.

"Henrietta," said a lady to her son, "when there's bad news, particularly private afflictions, always let the borders know it before dinner. It may seem strange to you, Henrietta, but such things make a great difference in the eating in the course of a year."

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS. Valuable Property For sale at Auction. We will sell to the highest bidder, on Wednesday, Sept. 16, 1868, one improved city lot 10 acres front, 30 var as deep, situated on Alamo street, bounded on the North by the Hernandez heirs, on the East by the property belong to Rafael Lopez.

CITY ASSESSMENT NOTICE. The City Council will meet on Thursday, Sept. 17, 1868, at 3 o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of hearing and determining upon petitions of persons who consider themselves aggrieved in the assessment of their property for the year 1868.

DEPOT QUARTERMASTER'S OFFICE. San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 11th, 1868. Will be sold at Public Auction, at the Alamo yard, in this city, on Thursday morning next, the 17th inst., at 10 o'clock, A. M., 25 Cavalry Horses, condemned as unfit for public service.

FOR RENT. THE STORE occupied by Messrs Chrysler, Anderson & Co. Apply to special agent JAC. G. FRENCH.

Steam Engine for Sale. The Steam Engine bought by the City of Antonio, with the Tannery property, having been thoroughly cleaned and put in working order by a competent Engineer, said Engine was built by Greenup, of Cincinnati, Ohio, has a capacity of 25 to 30 horse power, and pronounced by competent Engineers to be a good substantial built Machine; persons wishing to purchase can obtain all necessary information by applying to the undersigned.

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DRYDEN HALL. FRIDAY EVENING. Complementary benefit to ED. BOHN, Amateur Minstrel.

Auction Sale of Condemned Substantance Stores. OFFICE DEPT. A. C. S. San Antonio, Texas, September 7, 1868.

At the Commissary Buildings, in this city at 10 o'clock A. M., Saturday, September 12, 1868.

Will be sold the following articles of Condemned Substantance Stores: 4 barrels of Pork, 5662 pounds of Hard Bread, 250 pounds of Corn Meal, 45 pounds of Tea, 7327 pounds of Potatoes, 93 pounds of White Sugar, 73 cans of Blackberries, 6 cans of Peaches, 58 cans of Condensed Milk, 85 gallons of Pickles, 14 pounds of Mixed Vegetables.

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OFFICIAL LAWS OF THE UNITED STATES Passed at the Second Session of the Fortyeth Congress.

(Continued.) [PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 51.] JOINT RESOLUTION to admit free of duty certain stannary.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following be the provisions of the act...

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 52.] JOINT RESOLUTION admitting steam glows free of duty for one year from June thirtieth, eighteen hundred and sixty-eight.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the provisions of section two of the joint resolution approved March twenty six, A. D. eighteen hundred and sixty seven...

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 53.] JOINT RESOLUTION to amend the fourteenth section of the act approved July twenty eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty six...

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the fourteenth section of the act approved July twenty eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty six...

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 54.] A RESOLUTION to carry into effect the resolution approved March twenty eighth, eighteen hundred and sixty seven...

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Congressional Printer, whenever he shall be authorized by the Joint Committee on the Library...

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 55.] A RESOLUTION granting permission to officers and soldiers to wear the badge of the corps powerful which they served during the rebellion.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following be the provisions of the act...

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 56.] A RESOLUTION to admit certain persons to the Naval Academy.

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 57.] A RESOLUTION relative to lighting the streets of Washington City, District of Columbia.

the mayor and city council of the city of Washington, D. C., are hereby authorized to contract with the Washington Gas Light Company...

Sec. 3. And be it further enacted, That the mayor and city council of the city of Washington be, and they are hereby, authorized and directed to increase from time to time, as the public good may require...

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 58.] JOINT RESOLUTION in relation to surveys and examinations of rivers and harbors.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of War shall cause to be prepared and submitted to Congress in connection with the reports of examinations and surveys of rivers and harbors hereafter made...

[PUBLIC RESOLUTION—No. 59.] JOINT RESOLUTION relative to printing specifications of patents.

Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That no bills be paid by the treasury for printing specifications of patents above the contract price...

[Public—No. 79.] AN ACT imposing taxes on distilled spirits and tobacco, and for other purposes.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That there shall be levied and collected on all distilled spirits...

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