

Reconstruction. The Joint Committee on Reconstruction, after a session of some four hours on Saturday, at which all the members were present, agreed to report the following propositions:

1. A joint resolution proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States: Resolved, By the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the States as an amendment to the Constitution, which, when ratified by three-fourths of the said Legislatures, shall be valid as a part of the Constitution, namely:

ARTICLE. Section 1. No State shall make or enforce any law which shall abridge the privileges or immunities of citizens of the United States; nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law, nor deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.

Sec. 2. Representatives shall be apportioned among the several States, which may be included within this Union, according to their respective numbers, counting the whole number of persons in each, including Indians not taxed. But whenever in any State the elective franchise shall be less than 21 years of age, or in any way abridged, except for participation in rebellion or other crime, the basis of representation therein shall be reduced in the same proportion which the number of such citizens shall bear to the whole number of male citizens not less than twenty-one years of age.

Sec. 3. Until the 4th day of July, 1870, all persons who voluntarily adhered to the late insurrection, giving aid and comfort, members of Congress from the right to vote for President and Vice President of the United States. Sec. 4. Neither the United States nor any State shall assume any debt or obligation incurred or incurred which may hereafter be incurred in aid of insurrection against the United States, or any claim for compensation for loss of involuntary service or labor.

Sec. 5. The Congress shall have power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article. A bill to provide for the restoration of the States lately in insurrection to their full rights. Whereas, It is expedient that the States lately in insurrection should, at the earliest date consistent with the future peace and safety of the Union, be restored to full participation in its rights; and Whereas, The Congress did by joint resolution propose for ratification to the Legislatures of the several States, as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, an article in the following words, to wit: [The constitutional article recited above is here inserted.]

OFFICIAL NOTICES. SPECIAL NOTICE. The Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Philadelphia and Camden Railroad Company will be held on THURSDAY, May 2, at 12 o'clock, at the office of the Company, No. 24 Walnut Street.

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REAL ESTATE. FOR SALE. The Superior Store Property No. 49 North Third Street. Lot 20 feet deep, 180 feet long.

FOR RENT. The New Bulletin Building, No. 607 Chestnut Street. WILL BE COMPLETED IN A FEW WEEKS.

FOR SALE. A VALUABLE COUNTRY PROPERTY. Situated on the Delaware River, with a fine view of the city.

FOR RENT. A first-class house in a central location. The party renting wishes board and bed for a family.

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LIQUORS. RICHARD PENISTAN'S. Ale, Wine and Liquor Vaults, 439 Chestnut Street, PHILADELPHIA.

Special Notice to Families! Richard Penistan's Celebrated Ale, Porter and Brown Stout.

PURE GRAPE JUICE. This is an excellent article for Invalids. It is a pure and refreshing beverage.

HER MAJESTY CHAMPAGNE. J. E. DUNTON. 131 SOUTH FIFTH ST., SOLE AGENT.

HOWARD'S AMERICAN WATCHES. HAVE THE IMPROVED Mershon's Patent Regulator.

LEWIS LADOMUS, DIAMOND DEALER & JEWELER. 803 Chestnut St. Phila.

Mrs. R. Dillon, 323 and 331 South Street.

SHERIFF'S NOTICE. IN OBEEDIENCE to a writ of the District Court of the City and County of Philadelphia, I have published the following writs of the Sheriff of Philadelphia County, to wit:

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