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GENERAL ORDERS, No. 38.

HEADQUARTERS,
DEPARTMENT OF LOUISIANA,
New Orleans, La., September 8, 1865.

The Commanding General understands that persons whose property has been seized as confiscable, or abandoned, and who have had it restored through the clemency of the Government, have threatened the tenants or lessees of the Treasury Department with vexatious suits to recover rent for the terms for which it has been held by such tenants or lessees, and have endeavored to harass or coerce them into compromising these unfounded and unlawful demands.

The tenants of the Government are warned, that the rents for the terms during which they held under lease or demise from the Treasury or other Departments, are due to the Government alone, and no plea or excuse of a payment to a third party, will be accepted or entertained; but the lawful rights of the General Government will be rigidly enforced, and its tenants protected.

By order of Major-General E. R. S. Canby:

WICKHAM HOFFMAN,
Assistant Adjutant General.

Official: