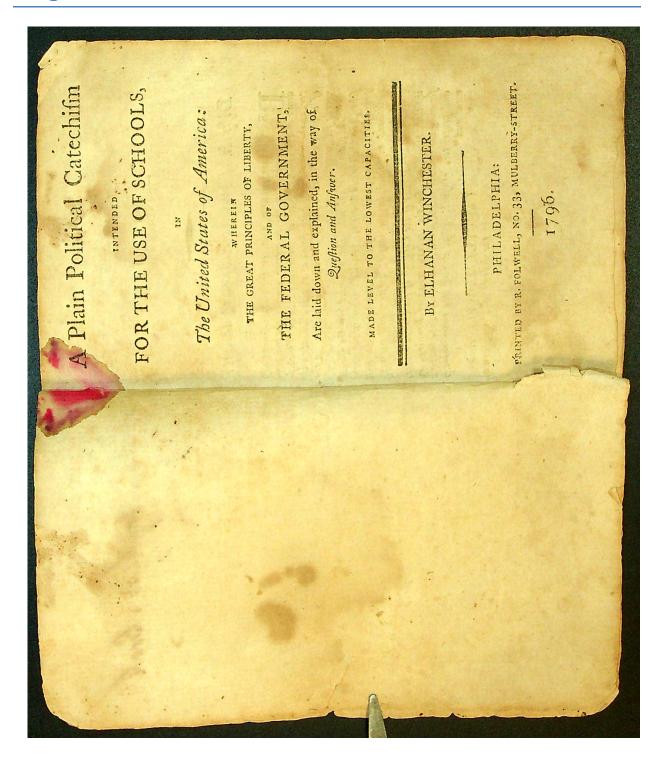
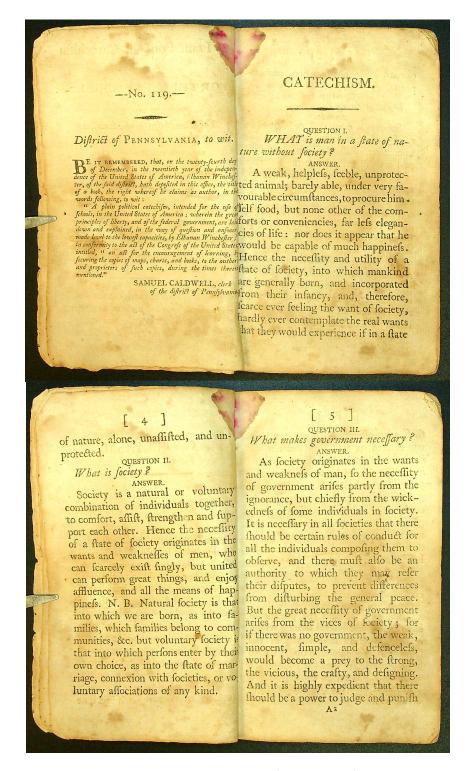
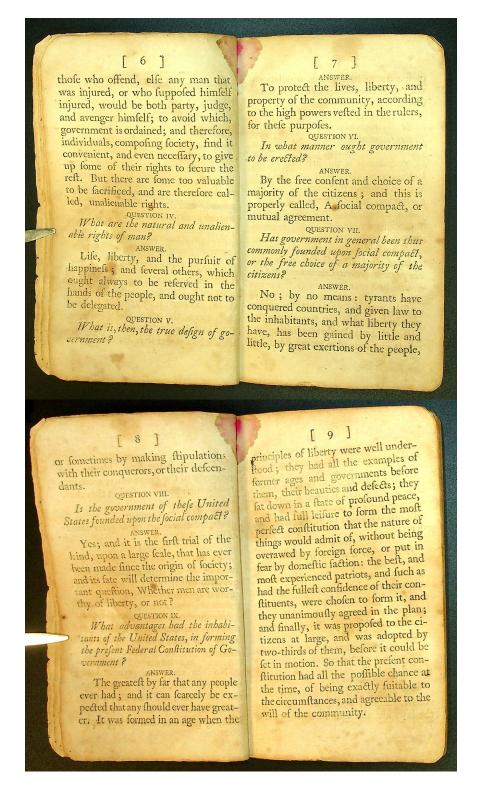
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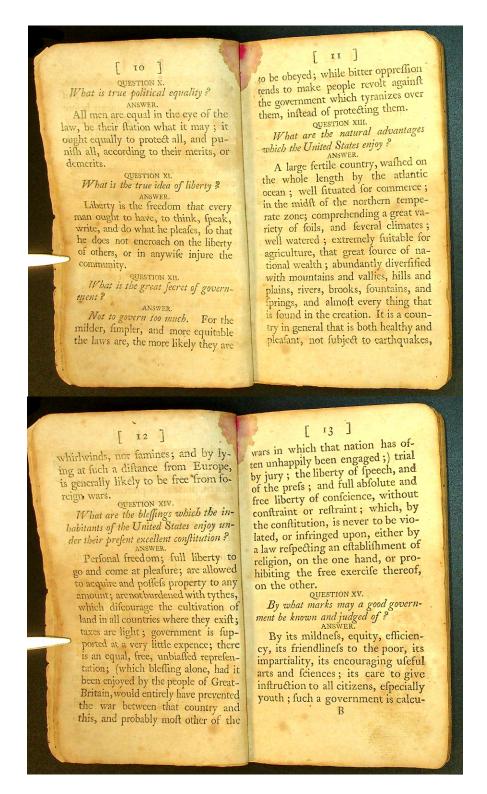
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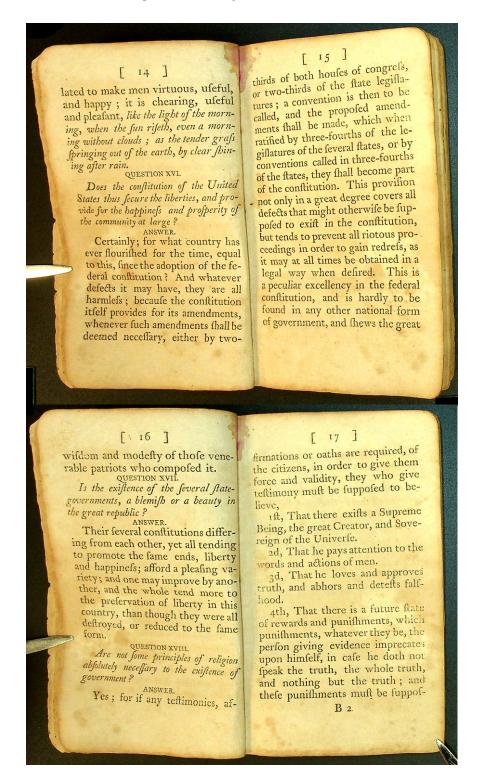
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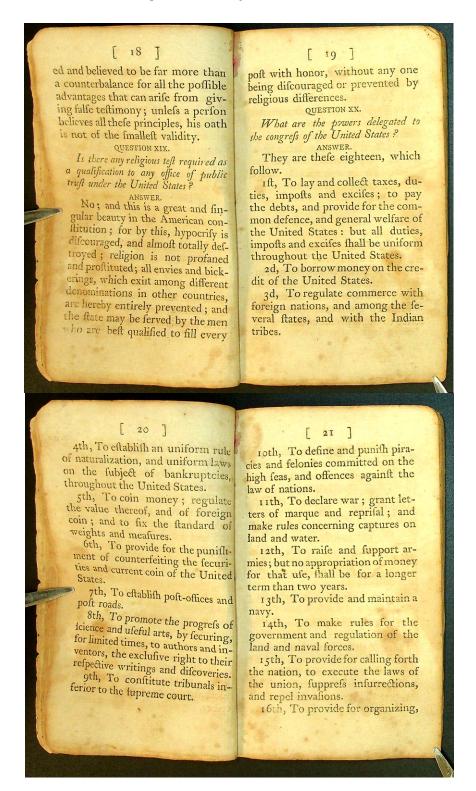
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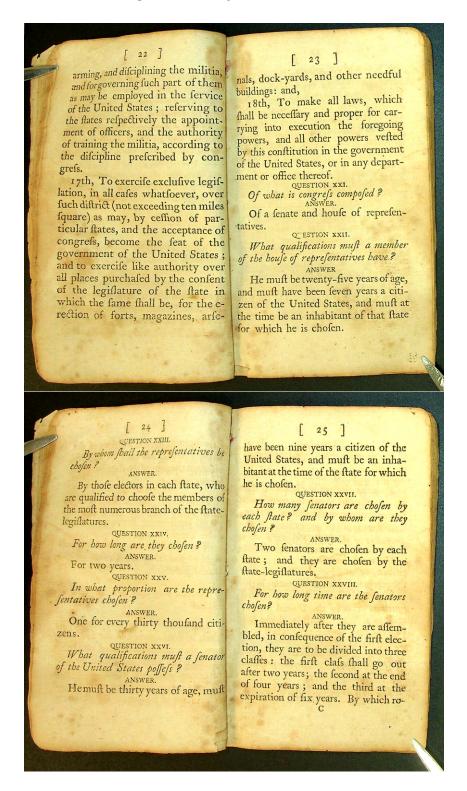
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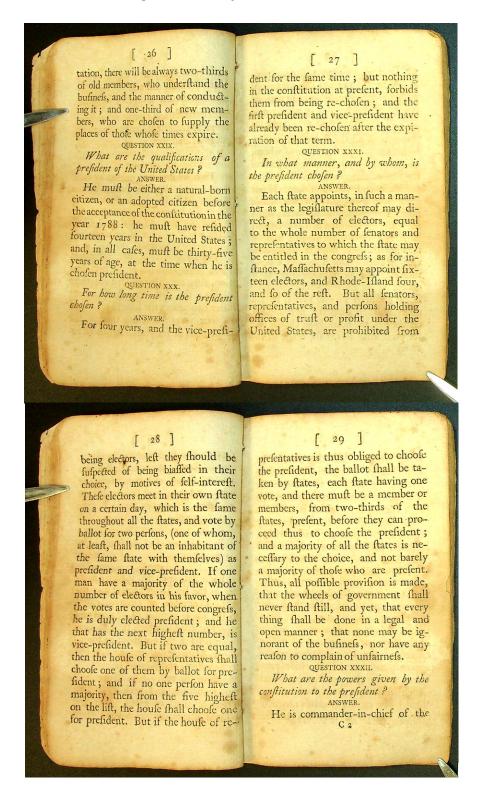
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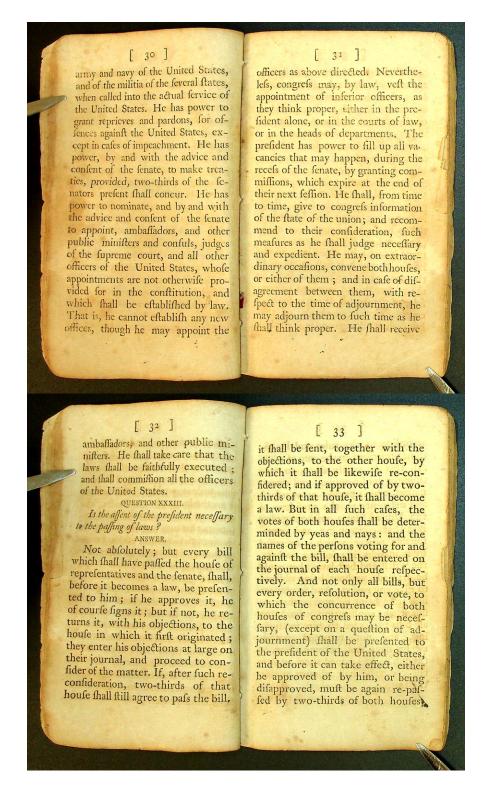
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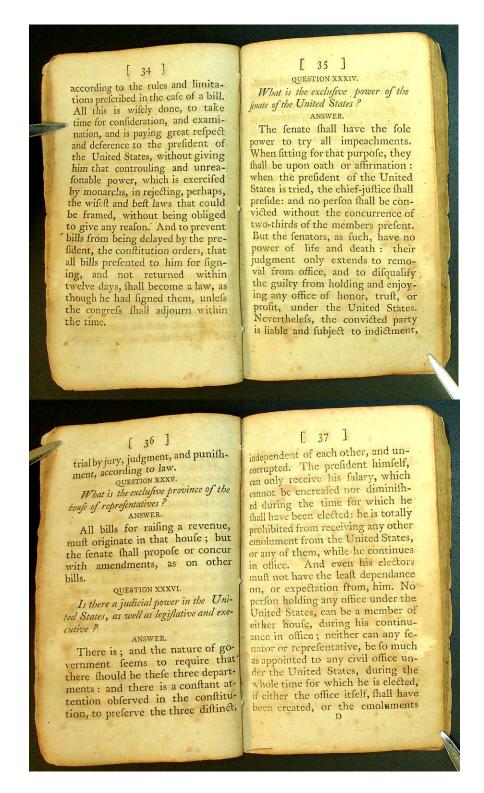
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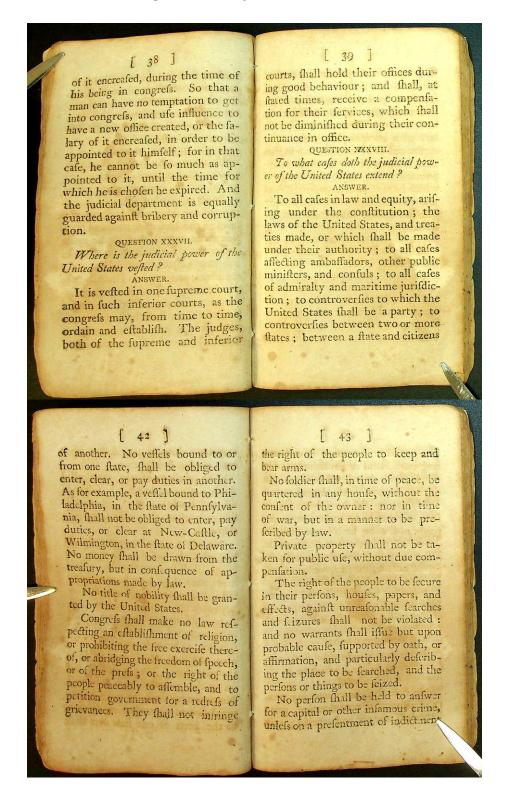
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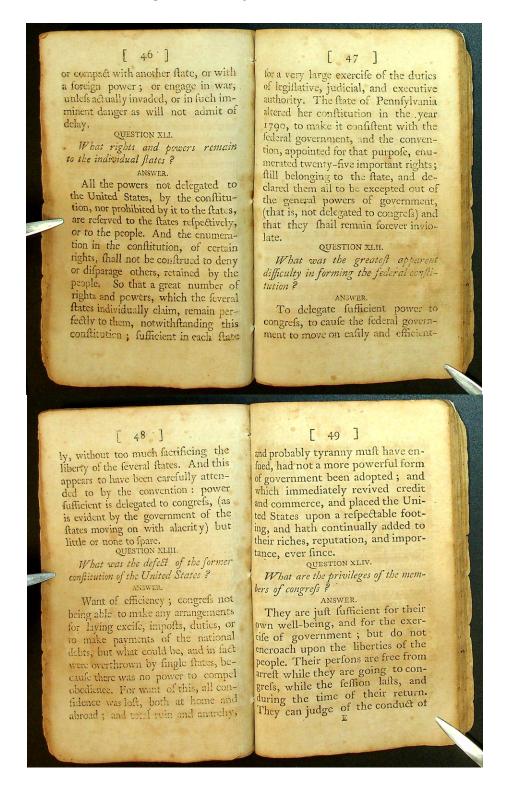
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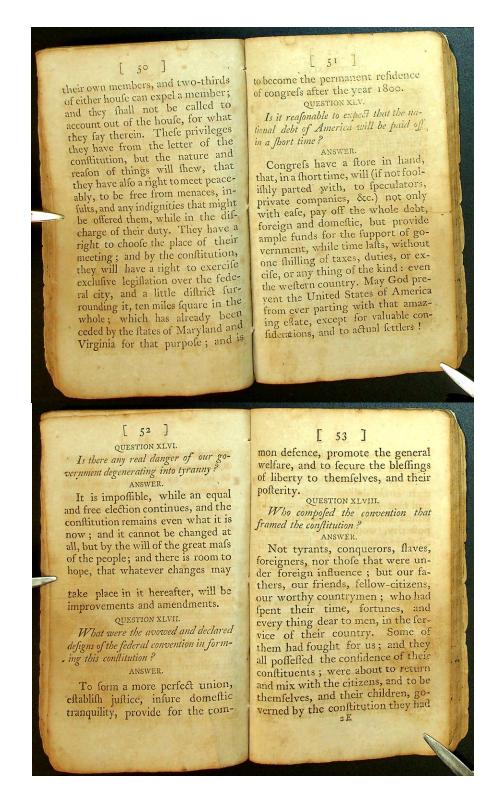
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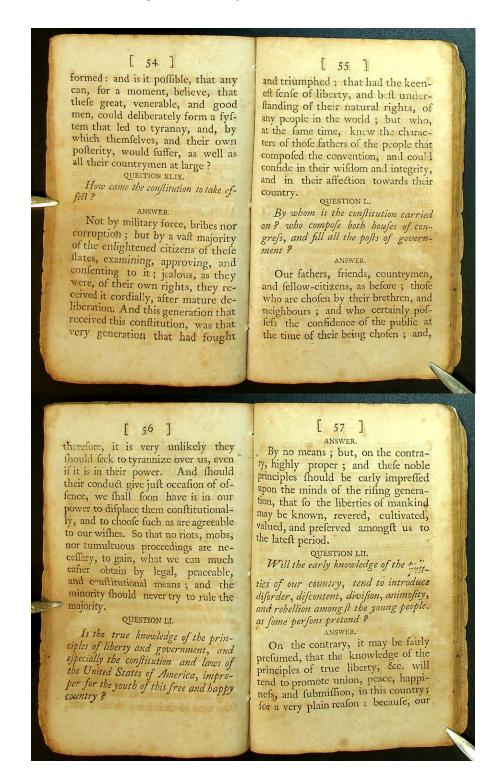
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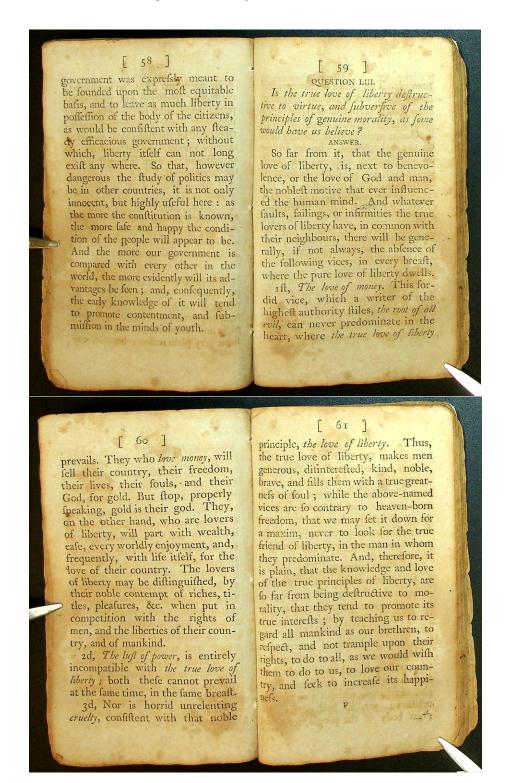
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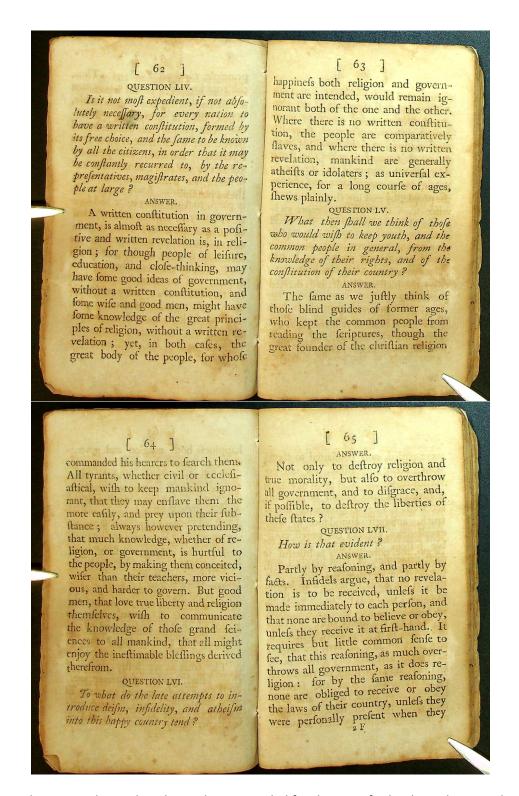
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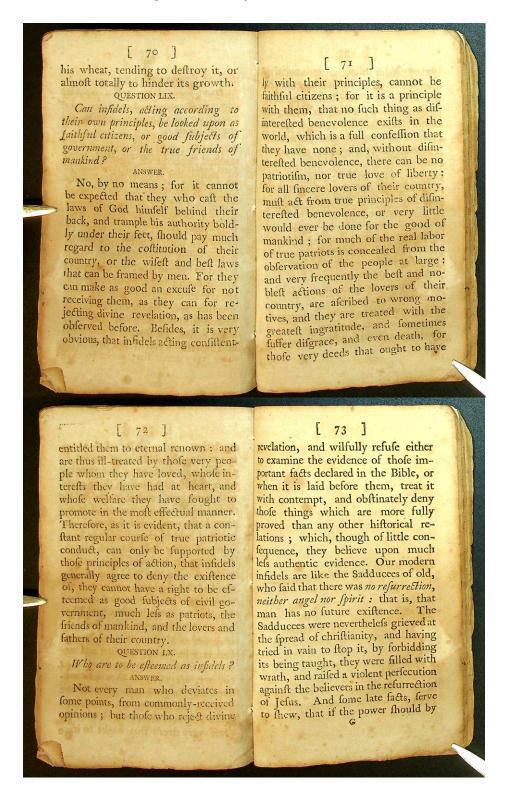
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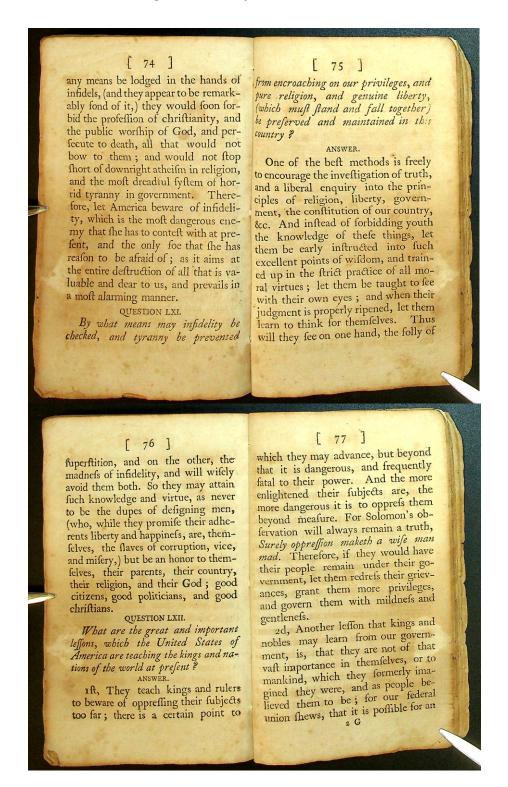
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F. 67 7 F 66 F. tance which the inhabitants of our were passed, and consented to them ; country have with the book of diwhich being impossible, all our govine revelation than to any other vernment would be at once unhinged, cause. And, therefore, such as deif fuch principles should be generally cry the Bible, and feek to render it received. The fcriptures of divine truth, amongst abundance of other of no account, are to be looked upon not only as enemies to religion excellencies, contain the purest possible fystem of morality, the fubli-mest principles of true liberty; and the most excellent laws; and, thereand morality, but to all good order, and free government; and as feeking to bring us back again, into a favage state, or elfe under tyranny fore, if the Bible be thrown afide, the and the most abject slavery; and this, notwithstanding their veheprinciples of liberty will probably be foon forgotten, and difregarded. And ment clamor in favor of liberty. For it is no unufual thing, for those whose constant aim is to destroy lifacts may ferve to convince any candid mind, that all nations, where the scriptures are not known, are subject berty, to make the greatest pretento tyranny and arbitrary government, fions to befriend and support it; witness the late tyrant Robespierre, and have no knowledge of the facred and others in France. And infi-dels in general are of this flamp; for rights of man. And the superior knowledge of those rights, and hap-pier government of these states, are if they cannot wholly destroy libermore owing to the general acquain-[68] [69] ty, as it would be difficult at pre-QUESTION LVIII. fent to do fo in America, then they But whence comes it that infidelity feek to difgrace it as much as possible, and obscure its beauties. For, rifes and spreads so fast in this free country, if it is so contrary to the principles by introducing and propagating inof true liberty? fidelity in a free country, they ANSWER. would feek not only to ruin the go-It is an old proverb, that, where vernment, but would have the God builds a church, the devil will fet world believe that liberty and infiup a chapel. It was always the amdelity both fprung from the same bition of the great enemy of man-kind, and all his agents, whenever fource, and fo render the very name of freedom odious to good men. But good feed has been fown in the liberty is the fair daughter of heaven, field, immediately to fow tares, in and one of God's best gifts to the order that both might fpring up to-gether; that fo, if possible, all might human race, while infidelity is hellborn, and is the most frightful be led to believe, that the fame hand monster that infests our land at fowed both: and thus to cause that present; and it would be a pity to the owner should not only in a great fee the beautiful goddess matched to measure lose his labor, but be difgraced into the bargain, and reckfuch an infernal demon; for their oned a fool, for fowing a worthless complexions differ more than light and hurtful weed in the field with and darkness.

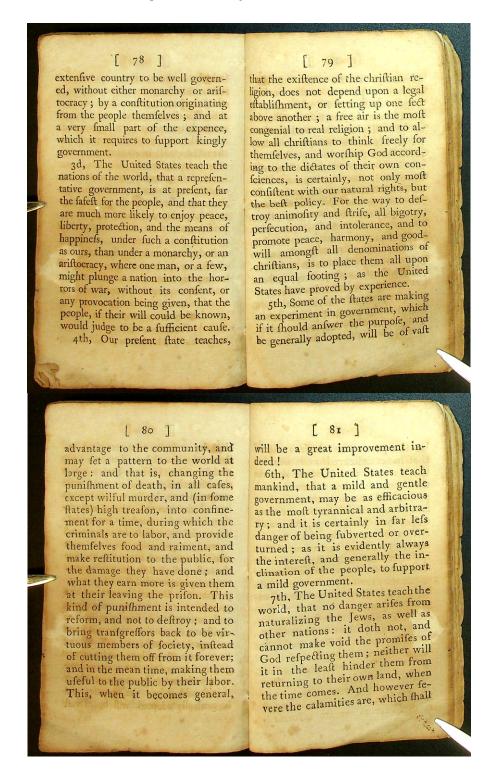
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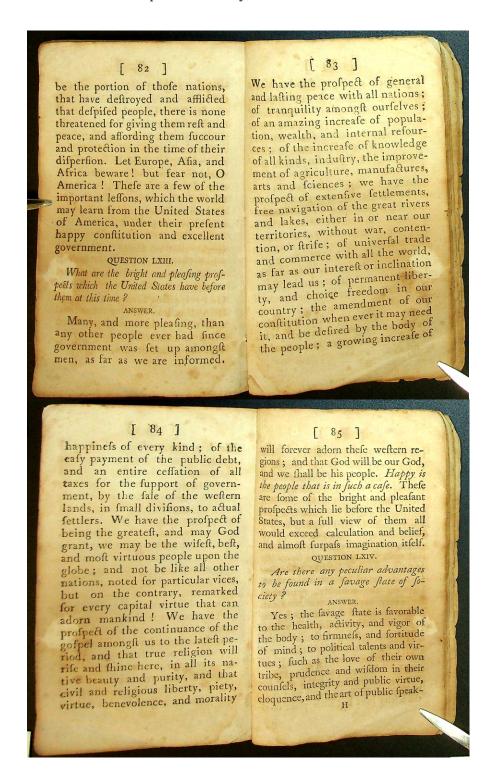
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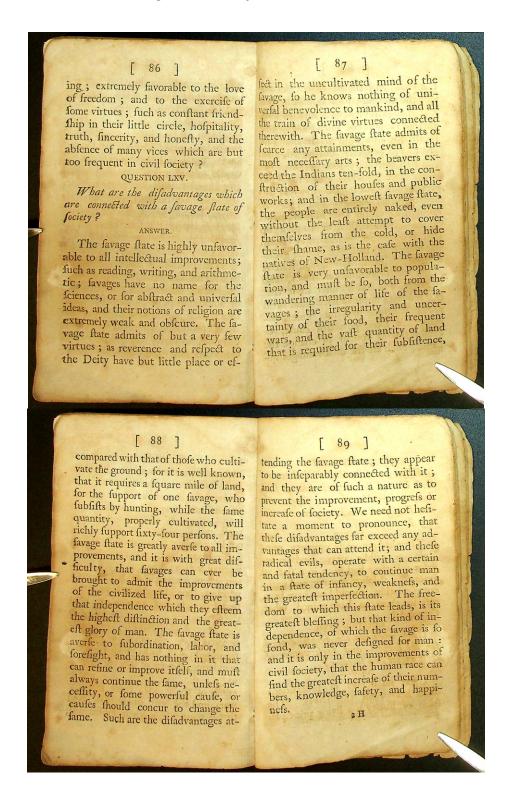
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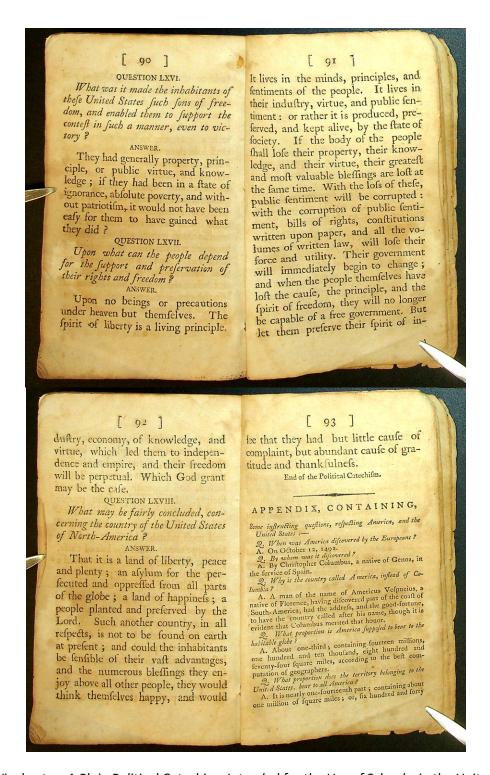
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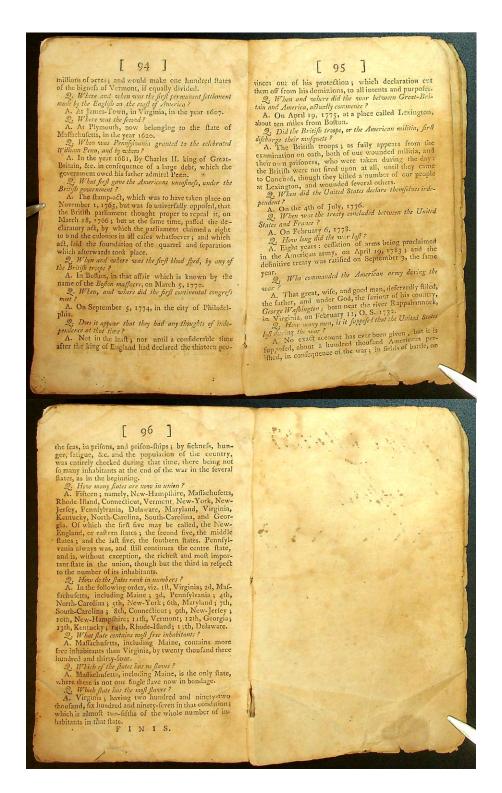
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