

NAVY OFFICER'S LIFE. NOT AS EASY AND LUXURIOUS AS IT APPEARS.

Many Grades and Duties—From Admiral Down, All Have Responsibilities—Even Jack Tar Is a Factor in Himself—Brains and Skill Required on a Man-of-War.

The duties of the various officers of the United States navy are much more exacting and complex than the layman would at first thought recognize.

Each officer of a commissioned vessel has his own individual thinking to do, too. The vast amount of mental maneuvering that must be done when a moment's delay may mean the difference between a successful and an unsuccessful operation.

GRADES OF OFFICERS.

In such a mammoth and wonderful mechanical contrivance as a modern warship there is an enormous amount of brain calculation involved, and especially in times of the fiercest battle.

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exercise military command in the order mentioned: Rear Admiral, Commodore, Captain, Commander, Lieutenant, Lieutenant-Commander, Lieutenant, Lieutenant (Junior grade), Ensign, Naval Cadet, Boatswain, Gunner. They take rank in each grade according to the dates of their commissions.

The officers of the staff comprise medical officers, pay officers, engineer officers, chaplains, professors of mathematics, naval constructors, civil engineers, carpenters and sailmakers—ranking in that order.

The Rear-Admiral may be assigned to the command of a fleet, a squadron or a naval station, and during his tenure of office his authority is absolute in those under him.

In a battle he is the brains of his command, and must do the planning and supervising in general, with, perhaps, the aid of his counsel and advice of his under officers.

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EVENTS ON THE TURF. TALENT DECIDEDLY WORSTED AT OAKLAND.

Good Things Easily Beaten by Long Shots—Results on Eastern Tracks.

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The second officer below the Captain is the navigator and ordnance officer. He has general charge of the ship's log, and in reality is the pilot skipper.

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