JEROME AT ODDS WITH JUDGE.

"DON'T JUGGLE WITH JUSTICE," HE SAYS TO FOSTER,

Who Insists on Suspending Sentence on Wilson, the Army Clerk Who Got $4,500 Blackmail—Assorted Reasons—Animated Talk From District Attorney.

A very singular colloquy between Judge Foster of the General Sessions and District Attorney Jerome occurred yesterday when Henry C. Wilson, the Army Building clerk convicted of blackmail, was called to the bar. Wilson demanded and received $4,500 from a concern that was filling in Riker's Island, under threat of taking away the Government boats that it was using on the work. Capt. Piper, then of the Street Cleaning Department, had obtained the loan of the boats for the company. When Wilson was arraigned yesterday Mr. Jerome moved that sentence be imposed.

"I understand," he said, "that owing to the social position of this prisoner clemency is about to be extended. I say to you, however, that this man does not deserve mercy. He is the worst kind of a grafter, a man who used his official position to obtain money. He is far more guilty than was the policeman recently sentenced from this court for taking money from a prostitute."

"I am surprised at the remarks of the District Attorney," interposed James M. Beck, ex-Assistant Attorney-General of the United States, who had been called in as counsel for Wilson after his conviction. "The remarks are vindictive. He has practically told your Honor that previous good character is not a recommendation for clemency. We do urge what the District Attorney anticipated, and say that this is a case where clemency should be shown."

Judge Foster then said: "The defendant was the chief clerk in the Engineer's Department in the East. He had a high position, and when contractors wanted Government boats used in their work they applied to him and he indicated the way to get them. His high position gave him the power to carry out his threats in this case. I strongly believe in the contention of counsel for the defence that the Federal courts are the only ones to pass upon his conduct. [Turning to Wilson.] I believe you are morally guilty, but I think the best thing I can do is to suspend sentence."

"This is a most extraordinary proceeding," said Mr. Jerome. "He is or he is not a thief. He stands at the bar a convicted felon. According to your idea he has violated no law over which this court has jurisdiction. If this is so this indictment ought to be dismissed."

"You mistake me, Mr. District Attorney," replied Judge Foster. "He has violated the laws of both State and Federal governments."

"It doesn't seem so from the way you have acted," replied Mr. Jerome.

"Feeling the way I do, I am unwilling to pass judgment," said Judge Foster. "In my judgment he has been severely punished. He has lost his position and his reputation. He has served a considerable imprisonment and he has been humiliated. I have had this case investigated by Agent Kimball of the Prison Association, and he recommends clemency. From what I have heard it is best to suspend judgment."

"In all respect to you," interrupted Mr. Jerome, "are you going to pronounce judgment without passing upon the motions pending before you?" Mr. Jerome did not know that Wilson's counsel, upon learning that sentence would be suspended, had withdrawn a motion for a dismissal of the indictment, made on the ground that the State courts had no jurisdiction. He continued:

"This court should be kept over and above every question that could bring discredit upon it. The wish lies in the heart of every member of the bar that the court should not be put in a false position, as it now seems to be. Your Honor allows this man to stand as a convicted felon when you say he is not."

"I understand that counsel for the prisoner have withdrawn their motions," said Judge Foster.

"That is not so," said the District Attorney, turning to Wilson's lawyers. "Are you willing to let your client go out into the world with a conviction hanging over him when you and Judge Foster say that this court had no jurisdiction to convict him?"

"We are satisfied——" began G. G. Battle, one of Wilson's counsel, but Mr. Beck stopped him and said:

"We are not answerable to this District Attorney for our professional conduct. It is the defendant's wish and we must obey it."

"Are the motions withdrawn?" asked Mr. Jerome.

"The motions are withdrawn," said Mr. Beck to Judge Foster. Mr. Jerome walked toward the bench and said:

"It is a different state of facts that now confronts you, Judge Foster. This defendant now stands before you in the light of an innocent man. To allow the stigma of a thief to be placed upon him is a travesty of justice. It is monkeying with law and order. The right thing to do is to dismiss this indictment if you don't believe you have jurisdiction. Don't juggle with justice."

"I don't like to differ with the District Attorney," replied Judge Foster mildly, "but I shall do what I consider my duty. I will suspend sentence and parole you [to Wilson] in the custody of Mr. Kimball, to report to him as he shall direct."

"No jurisdiction, a suspension of sentence and orders to report to a prison association agent. O, consistency!" said Mr. Jerome as he walked out of court.

Judge Foster expects to go to Japan next week on a three-months vacation.

FIRE ISLAND HOTEL BURNED.

Was Owned by Sire Bros.—Surf Hotel Has a Narrow Escape.

FIRE ISLAND, N. Y., May 27.—The new Fire Island Hotel was burned to the ground at 4:30 o'clock this morning. J. A. Bailey, the caretaker, had a narrow escape. He had to crawl on the floor through the smoke after having been aroused from bed by the observer in the tower. The hotel was built and owned by the Sire Bros. of Manhattan, and was leased to G. A. Hoerle of Midland Park, N. J.

One of the Sires says that the loss will be about $150,000 and that there is only a small insurance. The origin of the blaze is not known, but it is thought that the fire may have started in the paint shop under the hotel.

The hotel was to open for the season in a short time, and it is said that many wealthy New Yorkers had been booked. The hotel contained more than one hundred and fifty sleeping rooms and was handsomely appointed in every respect.

The Surf Hotel, which is about half a mile from the site of the burned building, was in danger for a time, as showers of sparks and embers were swept in its direction, but a change of wind saved it.

The Surf Hotel, the only one remaining on the island, was turned into a quarantine station during the cholera scare in 1892. Gov. Flower bought the hotel with his own money and it was used for the accommodation of cabin passengers on incoming steamships. The Governor was later reimbursed by the State, which still owns the hotel.

One of the Sire brothers said last night that they thought the fire was the work of an incendiary and that a reward of $2,000 for information that would lead to an arrest and conviction would be offered to-day.

CAUGHT IN H. R. DUVAL'S CELLAR.

Blake Said He'd Fallen In, but Is Held in $1,000 Bail.

John Blake of 646 Second avenue was arraigned before Magistrate Cornell in the Jefferson Market police court yesterday on a charge of grand larceny, and held in $1,000 bail. The complainant was Patrick Sted, caretaker at H. R. DuVal's residence, 26 West Twenty-first street.

Policeman Gerry of the West Thirtieth street station heard breaking glass early yesterday morning and found Blake hiding in Mr. DuVal's cellar. Blake said he had fallen into the cellar.

COWBOYS LYNCH A MURDERER.

Wyoming Mob Takes Diamond Slim Clifton From Jail and Hangs Him.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., May 27.—W. C. (Diamond Slim) Clifton was taken from the county jail at New Castle at an early hour this morning and lynched by a mob of cowboys. The walls of the jail were battered down and the Sheriff and his deputies held up while the mob operated.

Clifton was taken to a high bridge west of the town and hanged. The fall of forty feet cut off his head.

Clifton murdered J. W. Church and his wife near Gillette.

GOOD LORD! THAT GIRL!

Is There a Press Agent in Town Who Can Beat This Masterpiece?

The most reckless press agent in the business has sent to THE SUN the following masterpiece:

Miss Vera de Noie, the actress who wrote "Devil's Island" and other melodramas in which she starred, has just returned from a six months' trip around the world, made with the avowed intention of finding new material for melodramas. At her apartments at the Schuyler yesterday Miss De Noie said that her search for sensational incidents and picturesque surroundings had been more successful than she had ever anticipated, and that she has accumulated a choice collection of exciting episodes and realistic incidents which she intends to use in future melodramas.

"I played poker seventeen days with Wu Ting-fang, the ex-Chinese Minister, who was on his way to China on the steamship Hong Kong Maru, which I took from Frisco," said Miss De Noie yesterday. "The Chinese Minister won over $300 from me in the long run. Every afternoon in his suite of apartments we had a poker game, usually four of us sitting in. The Chinese Minister is a bland poker player and he had no trouble getting the best of me. But I shall retaliate by utilizing the experience in a new play.

"At Canton I witnessed the execution of a Chinaman who had stolen some rice. They cut his head off in my presence. It was very gruesome. I was the only foreigner present. The execution took place in a dirty yard. The poor fellow's head was chopped off very neatly. Immediately afterward a Chinese soldier was flogged with 100 lashes from a bamboo cane. I bribed the attendants to let me take the cane away, although it was covered with blood. It is here now in my trunk. I intend to utilize the flogging scene, but of course the execution would be impossible for stage purposes.

"The most thrilling experience I had was in Bombay, where I visited the 'burning garden' at night. This 'burning garden' is the place where the dead bodies of victims of the plague are burned. The plague was rampant in India then and hundreds of bodies were burned each night in the presence of hired mourners, and behind a great wall carefully guarded. The only way I obtained entrance was by flirting with a great black Hindoo named Kim-Si, who had been my guide the week before. Kim-Si risked death by letting me pass into the enclosure, but I also ran great risks. I went in at night, alone, and passed the entire length of the 'burning garden,' amid the mourners. The only illumination was the great glare from the woodpiles upon which the bodies were being consumed. It was ghastly, but it did not frighten me in the least. This experience would be a tremendous thing to dramatize.

"I also visited at Bombay the Parsee Tower of Silence, a gruesome spot, where dead bodies are deposited and a flock of ravens feed upon the corpses. I don't think I shall utilize this, however, in a play.

"At Madras I was much impressed by a native who handled a young python, eighteen months old, very affectionately. The native carried the python around on his shoulders. I wrapped the thing around me just to see how it felt. It was about fifteen feet long, and very heavy, but I concluded immediately to write a play around that python, using it as the instrument for the death of the villain when he attacks the python's mistress. I have arranged for the importation of a young python just as soon as I have written the play.

"At Singapore I saw the most magnificent palaces and homes I encountered anywhere on my trip around the world. A wealthy Chinaman offered me $1,000,000 in gold if I would marry him, but I declined. Then he drank my health from a goblet studded with gems worth at least $100,000. His name is Wo Sing Ti, and he is a wealthy resident of Singapore. I am now at work on my new plays."

FRANCIS WILSON NOT TO RETIRE,

But Will Act in Alternate Years Only After Next Season's Close.

Francis Wilson does not intend to retire from the stage permanently, as has been reported. Mr. Wilson said last night at the Grand Opera House:

"My contract with Nixon & Zimmerman, my managers, expires at the end of next season. I won't act the season following, because I think I am entitled to a year's rest. My present intention is to play every other year. I don't see why I should retire permanently as long as my health is good."

G. H. MORGAN'S GOODS RECOVERED

Police Have Jeweller Who Bought the Stolen Stuff—Haven't the Thieves.

The gold and silver ornaments stolen from the home of George H. Morgan of 6 East Fortieth street have been recovered. The police also have the man who bought it from the thieves. He is Harry Sartoris, a jeweller of 124 West Thirty-sixth street.

According to Sartoris two men took part in the robbery. The police had believed that Mr. Morgan's second butler was the only thief.

Mr. Morgan found his second butler's picture in the rogue's gallery yesterday. He is Arthur Perry, an English crook. Perry went to work for Mr. Morgan on Monday morning and late on Monday night he left carrying two valises containing $4,000 worth of stuff.

Perry and his pal, Jack Sears, called on Sartoris on Tuesday and he agreed, he says, to buy the stolen property. The jeweller admits knowing where it came from and says he gave the pair $75 in cash and an unsigned check for a like amount. The check, he says, was a conditional gift in case no trouble followed.

Sartoris called on Mr. Morgan late on Tuesday and announced that he had come in relation to the burglary. Exhibiting one of the stolen ornaments Sartoris said:

"I know where there are four or five more pieces, and I can get them for you I think, if you call off the police and pay a suitable reward."

Mr. Morgan told the police and Detectives Mooney and Lynch went to Sartoris's house late on Tuesday night. They found the stolen property in his room, fifty-seven pieces in all. They followed Sartoris around yesterday, thinking he might connect with Perry and Sears, but when they saw that Sartoris knew he was being followed they arrested him.

On the way to the Tenderloin station the detectives say he made a confession. One of the things Sartoris told the police was that he had bought stolen property from Perry and Sears before and that he knew they were thieves.

Neither Perry nor Sears has been arrested, but Detectives Mooney and Lynch don't expect much trouble in bagging the pair. Perry, the police say, had been employed at the Yale Club and was recommended to Mr. Morgan by the steward of the Metropolitan Club.

GOT HIS BABY CARRIAGE.

Friends Remember Their Promise to Elderly but Happy Father.

When Henry Windecker, a well-known resident of Jersey City, who is 74 years old, got married two years ago several of his friends who are members of the Monticello Building and Loan Association confided to him that nothing would give them greater pleasure than to make him a present of a baby carriage if his first child should be a boy. Mr. Windecker expressed thanks for the generous offer and forgot all about it until the family physician announced two weeks ago "a nine-pound boy."

At a meeting of the association Tuesday night a decorated perambulator was wheeled into headquarters, at 169 Monticello avenue. F. D. Spengeman reminded the happy father of the promise made shortly after his wedding and told him that he hoped several youngsters would enjoy airings in it.

All hands insisted that Windecker should wheel the carriage home. He didn't like the job, but finally consented. The building and loan men fell in behind and accompanied him to 103 Astor place to see the baby. They cheered all along the line of march.

SPOT GAMBLERS ON OCEANIC.

NOT A PASSENGER WOULD PLAY WITH ANY OF THE FIVE.

Purser Recognized a Bunch That Got On at Queenstown and Put Up a Warning—So the Five Dined With Each Other.

A quintet of American card sharps, looking the part, arrived yesterday from Liverpool and Queenstown aboard the White Star liner Oceanic with not a cent more money than they had sailed with on their quest for Yankee gold. Two of them boarded the liner at Liverpool; the others, who had gone east on a liner which sailed hence about two weeks ago, got on at Queenstown. Purser T. H. Russell recognized the Queenstown contingent and immediately posted in the smoking room this warning:

SPECIAL NOTICE.

The attention of the managers has been called to the fact that certain individuals believed to be professional gamblers have recently been travelling to and fro on Atlantic steamships, and it is deemed right in the interest of passengers to bring it to their notice.

There was "nothing personal" in this, but it did the business. There were about 170 first cabin passengers, including many well-to-do Americans. The five gamblers were soon known by sight, if not by name, to most of the frequenters of the smoking room. On the first evening out from Queenstown three of the quintet threw dice—with each other—at "five pun" a throw. They spoke with a British accent and never mentioned "dollars." But they didn't look as British as they wanted to make out.

They tackled William A. Hazard, the polo player, inviting him to join them in dice throwing or poker. He respectfully declined. Then they "won" money from each other in $25 bets with a great flourish, as if they were in dead earnest. It was all the play they got.

The purser chuckled when the gamblers went down the gangplank here yesterday. The leader of the five is tall, bold-featured and somewhat florid. He left the pier in a hurry, followed by Detective Leeson, who simply wanted to find out where he was going. He took only a satchel with him, leaving his trunk in charge of a baggage agent. He noted that he was observed by passengers, reporters and detectives and he perspired much, although it was cool on the pier.

The other gamblers got away with less flustration. Purser Russell thinks they will not venture to return on the Oceanic.

THE SEAGOERS.

Majestic Goes Out With Every Cabin Filled.

The White Star liner Majestic sailed yesterday with every cabin filled. Among her voyagers are:

Mrs. Patrick Campbell, the actress; Sir John Clark and Lady Clark, the Very Rev. Dean Slattery of Yokohoma, Edward F. Hudson, British Consul at Panama; Mr. and Mrs. W. Butler Duncan, who have taken a house in London for the season, and William Sloane and Miss Evelyn Sloane, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Sloane, a party of English railway men, who have spent several weeks in this country studying American railways and methods of railway management, including John Wharton, J. T. Tatlow, G. Banks and F. Dale, all of whom are connected with the Lancashire and Yorkshire Railway; Mrs. George A. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Goodheart, Mrs. Orson Hoyt, Mrs. Henry S. Black, Charles R. Leaycraft, Mrs. J. H. Robins, Augustus Tooth, the Rev. Stephen Van Rensselaer, Mr. Eugene Van Rensselaer and Joseph Seligman.

Booked to sail by the Hamburg-American liner Blücher, off to-day for Hamburg, are:

Mrs. J. Willis Dalzell, Mr. and Mrs. S. S. McClure, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Lawrence, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Low Green and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice S. Wormser.

Passengers by the North German Lloyd liner Barbarossa, which sails to-day for Bremen:

Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Cone, Dr. Charles A. Stickel, Mr. and Mrs. William Trumbull, Miss Edith Vanderbilt and Mr. and Mrs. H. Vehslage.

By the French liner La Gascogne, off to-day for Havre, will sail:

Mrs. Louise Dumont, D. L. Carpenter, S. B. Bragg, Charles S. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. von Harten.

Aboard the Hohenzollern, in from Mediterranean ports, were:

Capt. Ludar Arenhold, George K. Byington, Charles M. Dickinson, United States Consul-General at Constantinople; the Rev. J. L. Fowle, John J. Byrne and Count von Frankenstein.

Some passengers from Havana aboard the Morro Castle, in yesterday:

C. H. Arnold, W. L. Adams, R. H. Blake, J. D. Dunbar, H. Edson, R. W. Forrester, J. D. Fowler, Dr. E. R. Kellogg and J. H. Randolph.

By the Oceanic yesterday, arrived:

President S. R. Calloway of the American Locomotive Works; William A. Hazard, secretary of the Polo Association, with his wife and six children; George S. Bowdoin, Prof. J. M. Baldwin, R. Barrie, Miss E. Kernochan, Arthur J. Lamb, the librettist, and Harry Von Tilzer, the composer.

CROWDS SEE CITY'S PICTURES.

Hamilton Fish Park Filled With East Siders—To-night's Programme.

There were band concerts and stereopticon views in various places in the city last night to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the municipality. Fully 10,000 East Siders crowded Hamilton Fish Park to listen to popular airs by the Thomas F. Kanny Band and to see pictures which were thrown upon a screen suspended from the wall of Public School 22.

The shows will be repeated to-night in Mulberry Bend, Tompkins Square, East River and Madison Square parks, Manhattan; Prospect Park Plaza and Sunset Park, Brooklyn, and St. Mary's Park, The Bronx.

CITY PLACE FOR I. T. BURDEN, JR.

Junior Assistant Corporation Counsel at $1,200 a Year.

I. Townsend Burden, Jr., Harvard '97, a son of the iron founder of the same name, was appointed a junior Assistant Corporation Counsel yesterday. He was admitted to the bar about a year ago. When Mr. Burden first applied for a place in the Corporation Counsel's office Mr. Rives told him that he would first have to pass a civil service examination. Mr. Burden took the examination and passed with a high percentage. His salary will be $1,200 a year.

Destroyer Macdonough Tried Successfully.

BOSTON, May 27.—The final test of the torpedo boat destroyer Macdonough was successfully made to-day. The test called for a continuous speed of 26 knots for one hour, and a somewhat better average speed than this was maintained. The engines showed 332 7-10 revolutions as against the required number, 331. The Macdonough, which is a sister ship to the Lawrence, will be ready for the Navy Department in a few weeks.

Detained Oceanic Cabin Passenger.

A second-cabin passenger who arrived by the White Star liner Oceanic, in last evening from Liverpool and Queenstown, was detained aboard by order of an immigration inspector. The passenger's name was on the list as Julius Patyan. The order under which he was held up had his name as Theodore Zimmer.

Fears for Citizen Train.

STAMFORD, Conn., May 27.—It is feared by the physicians in charge of George Francis Train that his heart may give out and therefore they are constantly watching him. He is 74 years old, and although the smallpox from which he is suffering is not making any headway a reaction may set in at any time.

SAYS HE DRUGGED HER.

Brooklyn Girl Accuses Mark Bookman, a Rich Man's Son.

Mark Bookman, 20 years old, son of Morris Bookman, a member of one of the wealthy Stuyvesant Heights families of Brooklyn, is held in $5,000 bail by Magistrate Furlong in the Gates avenue court charged with administering a drug to May Wilkinson, 18 years old, of 17 Stewart avenue, East New York. A breach of promise suit also is threatened by the young woman.

Young Bookman met the girl several months ago and she says that he became a frequent visitor at her home. She alleges in her complaint, sworn to before Magistrate Furlong, that while making a call at her home on March 25 Bookman asked her to take some pills. Two nights later, she says, he took her for a walk, and in a drug store at Atlantic and Alabama avenues went behind the prescription counter, where he remained for several minutes. Afterward at a soda fountain, she charges, he placed a tablet in a glass of soda water which she drank.

The following day she became very sick. After a few days an operation was declared necessary by the girl's physician.

She says Bookman was constantly at her side after the operation, promising repeatedly to marry her as soon as she regained her strength. Finally, she declares, the wedding day was set for April 10. The young man failed to appear and was not seen by the girl until he was arraigned in court last Friday.

Henry J. Bookman, a large property owner in Brooklyn, and an uncle of the prisoner, gave bail for him.

ALABAMA WANTS WELLBORN.

Promoter Arrested on Old Charge After His Name Had Got Into the Papers.

Charles E. Wellborn, the young promoter of 130 Broadway and Weston, N. J., who last July got up the $75,000,000 American Coal and Railway Company, and who in March came into the glare of publicity again when he claimed the $1,000 bill which was found in an Erie Railroad ferryboat, was arrested yesterday by United States Marshal Henkel on a bench warrant issued in Birmingham, Ala. He was indicted in Birmingham in 1895 charged with defrauding W. P. Faulconer of Danville, Ky.

President Fornes to Give a Dinner.

President Fornes of the Aldermen will entertain the Mayor, the members of the Board of Estimate and the Aldermen at a dinner at the Malborough Hotel on June 2.

Movements of Naval Vessels.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The training ship Alliance has arrived at Norfolk and the tug Fortune at San Francisco, after a voyage from the Atlantic coast. The cruiser Olympia (flagship of Rear Admiral Coghlan), the gunboat Vixen and the collier Marcellus have sailed from Santiago for Caimanera, Cuba; the cruiser San Francisco from Bermuda for Lisbon, the training ship Alert from San Diego for a cruise, the collier Sterling from Portsmouth, N. H., for Lambert's Point, Va.; the battleship Indiana and the training ship Hartford from New York for Annapolis, and the training ship Buffalo from Gibraltar for New York.

Miss Roosevelt to Be a Bridesmaid.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Miss Roosevelt will be a bridesmaid at the wedding of Miss Ruth Pruyn and David M. Goodrich of Boston, which takes place at St. Peter's Church, Albany, N. Y., next Tuesday. Miss Roosevelt will leave Washington on Friday, and will remain in Albany until the middle of next week. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert C. Pruyn, friends of President Roosevelt, and she and Miss Roosevelt have been friends from childhood.

Cruiser Brooklyn Ordered to the European Station.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Rear Admiral Rodgers, commandant of the Brooklyn navy yard, has been directed by the Navy Department to place the armored cruiser Brooklyn in commission on June 9. The Brooklyn will be the flagship of Rear Admiral Cotton, commanding the European naval station. She will relieve the cruiser Chicago, which will return home for repairs.

Mrs. Roosevelt Going to Groton, Mass.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—Mrs. Roosevelt will leave Washington to-morrow afternoon for Groton, Mass., accompanied by Mrs. Cowles, the President's sister. Mrs. Roosevelt will attend the commencement exercises of the Groton School, where Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., the President's eldest son, and his brother Kermit are in school.

Gold Life Saving Medal to Capt. Plummer.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—The Secretary of the Treasury has conferred a gold life-saving medal on Capt. W. H. Plummer of Mill Bridge, Me., for his heroic service in saving a large number of persons from drowning during the hurricane of Sept. 8, 1900, at Galveston, Tex.

Army and Navy Orders.

WASHINGTON, May 27.—These army orders were issued to-day:

Contract Surgeon George H. Jones, from leave of absence to Fort Fremont, to relieve Contract Surgeon J. Randolph Harmer, ordered to Fort Totten.

Leaves of absence granted—Second Lieut. Louis H. Kilbourne, Eighth Calvary, extended twenty days; Second Lieut. Ira F. Travel, Twenty-fourth Infantry, extended two months; Second Lieut. Kyle Rucker, Fourteenth Calvary, extended one month; First Lieut. Cyrus A. Dolph, Twenty-sixth Infantry, extended three months; Major George A. Dodd, Third Cavalry, extended two months; First Lieut. Frederick Goodrich, Twenty-sixth Infantry, extended one month; Capt. Charles W. Foster, Artillery, three months; Second Lieut. William F. Rittler, Fifteenth Infantry, extended three months; Capt. Americus Mitchell, Commissary, Fifth Infantry, one month.

Col. William C. Gorgas, Assistant Surgeon-General, from leave of absence to temporary duty as Chief Surgeon, Department of the East.

Capt. B. Frank Cheatham, Quartermaster, from the Philippines to San Francisco for further orders.

These naval orders were issued:

Surgeon G. P. Lumsden, to naval station, Port Royal.

Acting Assistant Surgeon W. H. Janney, from naval hospital, Port Royal, to naval recruiting station, Baltimore.

Acting Assistant Surgeon P. S. Rossiter, from naval recruiting station, Baltimore, to naval hospital, Coasters Harbor Island.

Assistant Naval Constructor J. E. Bailey, from Cramp's Yard, Philadelphia, to Navy Yard, League Island.

Assistant Naval Constructor E. F. Eggert, from Newport News to Camden, N. J.

Assistant Naval Constructor H. H. Gleason, from Navy Yard, League Island, to Neafie & Levy yards, Philadelphia.

The Weather.

The pressure was still high on the Atlantic coast yesterday, with its centre over Nova Scotia, but was being gradually forced seaward by a large low pressure area, central over Michigan and covering all the country from the lower Lake regions west and southwest, except California, where the pressure was high.

The low pressure was accompanied by thunder storms in the Lake regions and the middle Mississippi Valley. Heavy rain has fallen in western New York and Pennsylvania and in the upper Lake section. There have been showers in the Northwestern States and in the South Atlantic States.

The temperature has risen in nearly all districts except in the Missouri Valley and the southern Rocky Mountain section.

In this city yesterday the day was warmer and partly cloudy and threatening; wind, fresh to brisk southerly; average humidity, 71 per cent.; barometer, corrected to read to sea level, at 8 A. M., 30.26; 3 P. M., 30.19.

The temperature yesterday as recorded by the official thermometer is shown in the annexed table:

	1903.	1902.		1903.	1902.
9 A. M.	65°	53°	6 P. M.	68°	56°
12 M.	69°	59°	9 P. M.	67°	55°
3 P. M.	72°	59°	12 Mid.	65°	51°

WASHINGTON FORECAST FOR TO-DAY AND TO-MORROW

For eastern New York, eastern Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware, showers to-day, followed by fair in the afternoon; fair to-morrow; fresh to brisk southwest winds on the coast.

For New England, showers with rising temperature to-day; fair and cooler to-morrow; brisk southwest to west winds.

For the District of Columbia, Maryland and Virginia, showers to-day and probably to-morrow; fresh to brisk southwest winds.

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