Epilogue

n July 19, 1916, Senator J. H. Gallinger refreshed the memories of his colleagues in the Senate chamber on Sternberg's remarkable career and accomplishments. His intention was to sponsor a bill that would obtain a more adequate pension for Mrs. Sternberg. Congress had become more parsimonious in granting pensions to the widows of general officers, and \$50 per month was the limit set by the committee on pensions in both the House and Senate. Gallinger acknowledged this fact, but declared Mrs. Sternberg's case was unique because of her husband's accomplishments. He presented supporting letters from Surgeon General William Gorgas, General Leonard Wood, George Kober, and Elihu Root. Root's eloquent words summarized the feelings of these men and many others who had known and worked with Sternberg: "Senator Gallinger's bill does not rest alone upon long and faithful service...but chiefly and distinctively upon the great part which General Sternberg played in the service rendered by the Medical Corps of the Army in the nine years during which he was Surgeon General. The practical extirpation of yellow fever in Cuba and on the Isthmus of Panama and the development of methods of preventive medicine, which have secured the phenomenal freedom from typhoid in recent years, are achievements in which the Medical Corps of the Army bore a great part and won the highest distinction. Congress has paid great honor to the medical officers who in the field and in the camp became distinguished for their part in this extraordinary work. Let no one think, however, that the man who was at the head of the corps can be left out of account of this creditable record. Such things do not happen by accident. No body of men accomplishes what our medical officers accomplished except in response to leadership, incitement, encouragement, opportunity, motive, power, coming from the head of the corps. The Medical Corps accomplished what it did largely because the man at the top was a pioneer in bacteriology, an advance worker in protective medicine, and had the enthusiasm and devotion through which science wins victories.

That spirit communicated itself to the corps, directed its energies, made the field of opportunity for scientific effort, kept good men in it, brought good men into it, and furnished the indispensable element of leadership without which the good work could not have been done. General Sternberg was the general commanding in that campaign. Congress has been honoring his subordinates gratefully and properly. It is all wrong that there should be no appreciation for the commander." Gallinger called it "the simple truth" and moved to have her pension raised to \$100 per month. After some discussion, the amendment was agreed to and the action went into conference committee.

Two weeks later, Mr. Edward Keating, of Colorado, called up the conference report on pension bills, which included that of Mrs. Sternberg, in the House of Representatives. A great deal of discussion occurred over Sternberg's role in the conquest of yellow fever. This may have been the subject upon which passage of the bill hinged. Kober had submitted the testimony of Aristides Agramonte, the last surviving member of the Yellow Fever Board, in which the Cuban doctor affirmed that Sternberg's "...instructions to Major Reed were so precise yet so complete that they embraced even human experimentation, a thing until then considered will nigh impossible, and, without the moral support which his reputation as a scientist of the highest order and his official position rendered us, I am sure we would have never undertaken the method of investigation with which you are familiar." Even with this evidence, Representative Clarence B. Miller, of Minnesota, fearful the bill would fail, had prepared a speech in support of the bill and asked for 10 minutes on the floor. Keating—perhaps aware of what was to come—graciously relinquished the remainder of his time to his northern colleague.⁴

The representative from Minnesota delivered the most comprehensive, concise, and accurate biography of George Sternberg that has ever been written. Miller's words captured the soldier, the scientist, the philanthropist, and the man. If any opposition remained by the time he reached his final remarks, it faded away as he closed:

"Had General Sternberg devoted even a portion of his lifetime to acquiring remuneration for his services, he might have died a rich man.... He has contributed more for the well being of humanity than almost any other man I can name in the whole realm of medical science during the last half century. It seems to me that a great – I do not mean to say generous, but I think I have a right to say a fairly considerate government will recognize the lifetime of service, the heroic devotion and the splendid achievements of this man and honor his memory, a memory that ought to be blessed and hallowed by every man in the South. He has done more for you than any other living man. I believe you agree with me that his widow, who is now in advanced years, ought to be able to live in reasonable comfort during the remaining period of her life, and the distinguished services of this noble man thereby in some degree recognized by an appreciative Government."

The bill passed.

In early November 1919, friends and students from the Army Medical School gathered at Arlington National Cemetery to dedicate the large monument to General Sternberg. Army Surgeon General Merritte W. Ireland, Brigadier General Walter

D. McCaw, MC, and Colonels Edward L. Munson and Frederick F. Russell, MC, provided tributes to their old chief and mentor. But long-time family friend and colleague George Kober touched Mrs. Sternberg the most when he said Sternberg left "a memory of patriotism and good citizenship, a memory of brotherly love and good deeds."

Martha Sternberg, the General's beloved "Mattie," resided in Washington, DC, until her death in February 1936.⁷

Acronyms and Abbreviations

ACP Ammunition Control Point

AFIP Armed Forces Institute of Pathology

AGO Adjutant General's Office

AMA American Medical Association

AMEDD Army Medical Department

Am Jour Med Sci American Journal of the Medical Sciences

AMS Army Medical School

AMSUS Association of Military Surgeons of the United States

APHA American Public Health Association
ARIG Annual Report of the Inspector General
ARSG Annual Report of the Surgeon General
ARSW Annual Report of the Secretary of War
ARWD Annual Report of the War Department

BDE Brooklyn Daily Eagle

B&L Battles and Leaders of the Civil War BM&SJ Boston Medical & Surgical Journal

CB Commission Branch

CMH Center for Military History

DAR Daughters of the American Revoluion

DCR Dodge Commission Report

FGO Field General Order

FY fiscal year

GMS George Miller Sternberg

GO General Order

GPO Government Printing Office
GWU George Washington University
HIV human immunodeficiency virus

HQ headquarters

HRC House of Representatives
HRC Hench-Reed Collection

JAMA Journal of the American Medical Association

LOC Library of Congress

Med Rec Medical Record

MHP Medical History of Post

MR Muster Rolls

M&SHCW Medical & Surgical History of the Civil War

M&SHWR Medical & Surgical History of the War of the Rebellion
NARA National Archives and Records Administration

NBH National Board of Health

n.d. no date

NGU nongonococcal urethritis
NLM National Library of Medicine

NMH National Museum of Health and Medicine

NMM National Medical Museum

NOM&SJ New Orleans Medical & Surgical Journal

n.p. no publisher n.s. new series

NTA National Tuberculosis Association

NYEP New York Evening Post

NYS New York Sun
NYT New York Times

OR The War of the Rebellion: A Compilation of the Official

Records of the Union and Confederate Armies

PH Post History

PHRP Public Health Reports and Papers

PPPMO Personal Papers of Physicians and Medical Officers

PR Post Returns RG Record Group

Rpt. report

Sen. Doc. Senate document SFO Special Field Order

SGO Surgeon General's Office

SO Special Order

Ther Gaz Therapeutic Gazette

TN&HR The Trained Nurse and Hospital Review

USSC U.S. Sanitary Commission

USUHS Uniformed Services University of the Health Sciences

UVA University of Virginia
WES Washington Evening Star

WRAIR Walter Reed Army Institute of Research
WSHC Washington Sanitary Housing Company
WSIC Washington Sanitary Improvement Company

Endnotes

Chapter One

Palatines, Pietists, and Medicine

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- 19. Annual Catalog of the Officers and Students of Hartwick Theological and Classical Seminary, Academic Year Ending Aug. 25, 1852, 4–7.
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- 21. GMS, My Life, 5.
- "A letter from Rev. G. B. Miller, D.D., Written to his Daughter Henrietta, now Mrs.
 A. Hiller, 55 years ago," The Monthly, Hartwick Seminary, Oct 1908, 4. Rogers, Dinosaur Dynasty: Sternberg Fossil Hunters, 10.
- 23. "A letter from Rev. G. B. Miller, D.D., Written to his Daughter Henrietta, now Mrs. A. Hiller, 55 years ago," *The Monthly*, Hartwick Seminary, Oct 1908, 4.
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- 25. GMS, My Life, 6-7; Sternberg genealogy.
- 26. GMS, My Life, 7.
- 27. GMS's comment on missing his mother is difficult to reconcile with his actions. At 13 he spent a year living in Cooperstown and there is no comment by him or Mrs. Sternberg suggesting that separation was a trial. GMS, *My Life*, 7; Kaester, *Pillars of the Republic: Common Schools and American Society*, 1780–1860, 20–22.
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- 29. GMS, My Life, 8.
- 30. Ibid., 8-9.
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- 34. GMS, My Life, 9.
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- 37. Atlas of Otsego County, 18; Map of Otsego County, 1868, New York State Historical Society, Cooperstown, New York.
- Bylebyl, "William Beaumont, Robley Dunglison, and the 'Philadelphia Physiologists," 3–21; Warner, "The Campaign for Medical Microscopy in Antebellum America," 371–372; Cassedy, "The Microscope in American Medical Science, 1840–1860," 76–97.
- 39. Bonner, Becoming a Physician, 152.
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- 42. Eleventh Annual Announcement, Medical Department, University of Buffalo, 1856–57, 16.
- 43. Ibid., 9.
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- 47. Editorial, *Buffalo Medical Journal*, Jul 1857, 13(2):127, Jan 1858, 13(8):512, Aug 1858, 14(3):180–182, Aug 1857, 13(3):190.
- 48. Editorial, Buffalo Medical Journal, Aug 1857, 13(3):190.
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- 50. Editorial, "Medical Department University of Buffalo," Buffalo Medical Journal, Aug 1857, 13(3):190 and Aug 1858, 14(3):180–182; Annual Announcement, Medical Department of the University of Buffalo, 1858–1859 (Buffalo, NY: Chas. E. Felton, 1859), 8; Sentz, Medical History of Buffalo, 4–5, 7, 43; Smith, "Austin Flint and Auscultation in America," 129–149; Peltier, "A Brief History of Traction," 1603–1617; Fye, "Growth of American Physiology, 1850–1900," 48; Rothschuh, History of Physiology, 189.
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- 53. Sternberg attended the College of Physicians and Surgeons during the 1859–1860 session; however, he wrote that he did this the winter following his Buffalo instruction, which he stated was in the winter of 1857–1858. Since he graduated in March 1860, presumably he made an error and attended Buffalo in the winter of 1858–1859. GMS, *My Life*, 9–10.
- 54. Shrady, ed., The College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York and Its Founders, Officers, Benefactors, and Alumni, v1, 106–107.
- 55. Walsh, History of Medicine in New York, v2, 427.
- 56. Walsh, History of Medicine in New York, v2, 427–429; 53rd Annual Catalogue, College of Physicians and Surgeons in the City of New York, 1859–60, 12; Smith, Emergence of Organized Clinical Instruction, 169, 170, 173; Rosenberg, "The Practice of Medicine in New York a Century Ago," 140.
- 57. 53rd Annual Catalogue, College of Physicians and Surgeons in the City of New York, 2; Sentz, Medical History in Buffalo, 7; Ruhrah, "Willard Parker," 205–214; Smith, "A Historical Overview of the Recognition of Appendicitis Part I," 571–647; Baldwin, "The Detmold Method of Controlling Inoperable Hemorrhage," 34–36; Shrady, College of Physicians and Surgeons, 107, 111, 112–113; Smith, Emergence of Organized Clinical Instruction, 173; Norwood, Medical Education in the United States, 164.
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- 60. M. Sternberg, GMS, 245.

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- 63. 54th Annual Catalogue, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Session of 1860–1861, 15–16. Rosenberg, "The Practice of Medicine in New York a Century Ago," 151, and Care of Strangers, 65.

Chapter Two

From First Bull Run to Hospital Command

- 1. M. Sternberg, GMS, 245.
- 2. Ibid.
- 3. Starr, Transformation, 64, 89.
- 4. M. Sternberg, GMS, 245.
- 5. Although GMS's forefathers had served in the Seven Years and Revolutionary Wars, and his paternal grandfather had owned slaves, he had grown up in a religious environment that was both pacifist and abolitionist. Yet, where the struggle for abolition was concerned the Evangelical Lutherans believed that the end justified the means. GMS, and later his brothers Theodore and Frederick, probably received support for their decisions to enter the service. GMS to Cameron, 14 Apr 1861, PPPMO, Box 551 (Sternberg), RG94, NARA; Gibson, Soldier in White, 13, 14.
- 6. Ludmerer, *Learning to Heal*, 15–16; Cameron to GMS, 22 Apr 1861 and GMS to Surgeon General, 4 May 1861, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 7. William A. Hammond, older than most of the other candidates and with prior army service, stood first in the class. Charles C. Gray, Charles E. Goddard, Blencoe E. Fryer, and Henry R. Silliman, who would work closely with GMS in the very near future, also performed well. Merit Rolls Regulars, Entry 77, RG112, NARA; Brown, *The Medical Department of the United States Army from 1775 to 1873*, 212, 216, 217; William Sloan to Surgeon General, 16 May 1861 and Contract of Service, 20 May 1861, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 8. GMS Narrative of Service to Surgeon General, Jul 29, 1863, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Marcus, ed., Washington During Wartime, Appendix B; Bryan, A History of the National Capital, v2, 3n, 479. Reese, Sykes' Regular Infantry Division, 32, 33.
- 9. Weigley, History of the United States Army, 189, 190, 200, 566.
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- 11. Gillett, The Army Medical Department, 1818–1865, 127–132; Otis, Report on the Transport of Sick and Wounded by Pack Animals, 4, 5.
- 12. Leech, Reville in Washington, 55.
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- 16. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg," *Freeman's Journal*, Cooperstown, NY, Aug 1861, George Miller Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, Box 1, Folder 8, NLM; Davis, *Battle at Bull Run*, 159, 160, 162; Johnston, *Bull Run*, 144.
- 17. Davis, Battle at Bull Run, 167; Haynes, A History of the Second Regiment, New Hampshire Volunteer Infantry in the War of the Rebellion, 23–28; Woodbury, The Second Rhode Island Regiment, 31; Fairchild, History of the 27th Regiment New York Volunteers, 9–11. Sternberg thought the flank march to be about 10 miles. According to measurements from battlefield maps contemporary with the battle, the distance from where Hunter's Division turned off the Warrenton Turnpike to the Sudley Ford was about 6 miles. B&L, v1, 186; "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg"; Parker, "The Regular Infantry in the First Bull Run Campaign," 525; Johnston, Bull Run, 184–185; Davis, Perrin, and Kirkley, Official Military Atlas of the Civil War, Plate 3.
- 18. *OR*, Series 1, v2, 319, 383–387, 488, 559; Parker, "The Regular Infantry in the First Bull Run Campaign," 527; "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 19. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 20. "No. 35, Report of Maj. George Sykes," 390–391 and "No. 110, Report of Brig. Gen. Nathan G. Evans," 559, OR, Series 1, v2; Davis, Battle at Bull Run, 173–174. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg." For an analysis of how Union soldiers reacted to battle, see Hess, Union Soldier in Battle (Lawrence: University of Kansas Press, 1997).
- 21. W. S. King, "Report of Events Connected with the First Bull Run Campaign," *M&SHCW*, v2, 4, 5.

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- 23. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 24. GMS sent Colonel Jones to Sudley Church for definitive care. Jones died at Orange Hospital, Orange, Virginia, from complications of his injuries on 3 Sep 1861. Compiled Service Records of Confederate Soldiers, M–311, Roll 124, NARA; Davis, Battle of Bull Run, 181.
- 25. Davis, Battle of Bull Run, 191-195, 214, 236.
- 26. Reese, *Sykes' Regular Infantry*, 38–40; Parker, "Regular Infantry in the First Bull Run Campaign," 528–529; Hennessy, *First Battle of Manassas*, 78; "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg"; "No. 35, Report of Maj. George Sykes," 390–399, and "No. 83, Report of Col. J. E. B. Stuart," *OR*, Series 1, v2, 484.
- 27. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg." GMS probably tethered his horse at the Lewis home. Undoubtedly, his unattended mount had been the vehicle of someone's headlong flight from the battlefield. He humorously remarked years later, "I tied him to a tree, and unless some one else took him away he is still there, for I have never seen him since." GMS, "Presidential Address," 13. Among surgeons ordered to Sudley Church were Charles C. Gray, Regular Army, William W. Keene, 5th Mass, and C. S. Degraw, 8th NY. M&SHCW, v2, 5, 7, 8, 18.
- 28. Taken prisoner with GMS were: Charles Gray, Regular Army; Foster Swift, G. S. Winston, and C. S. DeGraw, 8th NY; Homiston and William F. Swalm, 14th NY; Eugene E. R. Peugnet, 71st NY; James Harris, 2d RI; Jacob H. Stewart and Charles W. Boutillier, 1st Minn; Benjamin F. Buxton, 5th Maine, William Allen, 2d Maine, James M. Lewis, 2d Wis, and Edward F. Taylor, 2d NJ. Cunningham, *Field Medical Services*, 6, 20; Duncan, *Medical Department in the Civil War*, 31, 34–35; C. C. Gray, "Extract from a Report of Services at the First Battle of Bull Run," *M&SHCW*, v2, 7; "No. 83, Report of Col. J. E. B. Stuart," *OR*, Series 1, v2, 484.
- 29. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg"; PPPMO, Boxes 453 (Peugenet), 566 (Swalm), 646 (Winston), RG94, NARA; Alan Goff, ed., George H. Otis, The Second Wisconsin Infantry, 236, 295; Mundy, Second to None: The Story of the Second Maine Volunteers, 81–82; Bilby and Goble, Remember You Are Jerseymen! 66; Blackford, War Years with JEB Stuart, 41–42.
- 30. Cunningham, Field Medical Services, 14, 15; "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 31. G. M. Sternberg, "Extract from a Report on Duties Assigned to Him from the Outbreak of the Rebellion," *M&SHCW*, v2, 8.
- 32. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 33. Ibid.
- 34. Winston, PPPMO, Box 646, RG94, NARA; "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 35. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 36. Ibid.

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- 38. Ibid.
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- 40. "Capture and Escape of Dr. Sternberg."
- 41. GMS's course from Centreville to the Maryland side of the Potomac west of Washington can be recreated with a reasonable amount of certainty. He paralleled present day state route 28 to its junction with state route 7, a distance of about 15 miles. State route 7 (Leesburg Pike) was the road patrolled by the South Carolina Regiment. From the junction of routes 28 and 7, GMS proceeded about 7 miles east to the banks of the Potomac just north of Great Falls in the River Park area. This is 9.5 miles above the Little Falls Dam. From Little Falls Dam to Rock Creek, the southwestern edge of the city is about 5 miles. *The Union Army*, v1, 43; Davis, *Official Military Atlas*, Plate 7.
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- 43. Warner, Generals in Blue, 291; Billings, "Military Activities," 131; Bryan, History of the National Capital, 478–479, 481, 484; Green, Washington, 262; Brooks, Washington, D.C. in Lincoln's Time, 13–14.
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- 45. GMS Narrative of Service to Surgeon General GMS to SGO, Jul 29, 1863, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; C. E. Goddard, "Extracts from a Report of His Services in the Medical Staff," M&SHCW, v2, 74; Lowry, Civil War Bawdy Houses of Washington, D.C., 10, map.
- 46. Sears, George B. McClellan, 167 and To the Gates of Richmond, 5, 12–14, 18–20; B&L, v2, 167–168.
- 47. Charles S. Tripler, "Report of the Operations of the Medical Department of the Army of the Potomac," M&SHCW, v2, 44–57.
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- 51. Foote, *The Civil War*, v2, 410, 417; *B&L*, v2, 168–173; Reese, *Sykes' Regular Infantry*, 73.
- 52. Gillett, *AMEDD*, *1818–1865*, 188–189; Tripler, "Report of Operations," *M&SHCW*, v2, 58.
- 53. "No. 137, Report of Brig. Gen. George Sykes," 348–349 and "No. 141, Report of Capt. Thomas W. Walker," 361–363, OR, Series 1, v11; Reese, Sykes' Regular Infantry, 76–84; Sears, To the Gates of Richmond, 223–225; B&L, v2, map 334, 335; G. M. Sternberg, "Second Extract from a Report on Duties Assigned to Him," M&SHCW, v2, 88.

- 54. G. M. Sternberg, "Second Extract from a Report on Duties Assigned to Him," *M&SHCW*, v2, 88.
- 55. Surgeons provided a primitive version of advanced trauma life support. Without intravenous fluid replacement and the means for airway management, this consisted of applying compression dressings and immobilization devices, and administering anodynes and stimulants as the case may warrant. Narratives and Reports of Service, *M&SHCW*, v2, 69 (Brown), 72 (Bentley), 73 (Woodhull and Greenleasf), 76 (Schell), 80 (waters), 81 (Spencer and Hand), 82 (Middleton).
- 56. Reese, *Sykes' Regular Infantry*, 89–90; Sears, *To the Gates of Richmond*, 236–242; Hess, *Union Soldier in Battle*, 17, 19, 21, 27; *B&L*, v2, 339–340; "No. 137, Report of Brig. Gen. George Sykes," *OR*, Series 1, v11, 348–349. Tripler stated there were 1,300 casualties at Savage Station, but his estimate is not substantiated by others who were there and contemporary historians. Tripler may have made this estimate prior to the arrival of wounded from the Gaines' Mill engagement. Tripler, "Report of the Operations of the Army of the Potomac" and Greenleaf, "Narrative of Medical Services," *M&SHCW*, v2, 57, 73; *B&L*, v2, 386; Foote, *Sumter to Perryville*, 501.
- 57. "No. 137, Report of Brig. Gen. George Sykes," OR, Series 1, v11, 350; Reese, Sykes' Regular Infantry, 96–97.
- 58. "No. 137, Report of Brig. Gen. George Sykes," OR, Series 1, v11, 352.
- 59. Ibid.
- 60. "No. 35, Report of Maj. George Sykes," OR, Series 1, v2, p 391.
- 61. "No. 140, Report of Lieut. Col. Robert C. Buchanan," OR, Series 1, v11, 360; Reese, Sykes' Regular Infantry, 99; GMS Narrative of Service to Surgeon General GMS to SGO, Jul 29, 1863, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA, 6; Narrative Reports of Service, M&SHCW, v2, 45–57 (Tripler), 81 (Spencer), 82 (Middleton), 88 (Sternberg), 93–94 (Letterman); Duncan, Medical Department in the Civil War, 102; GMS to Letterman, Jul 19, 1862, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA. Volunteer medical staff and 650 wounded were left to the enemy at Savage Station. "Narratives and Reports of Service," M&SHCW, v2, 72 (Bentley), 76 (Schell).
- 62. Letterman, Medical Recollections, 5-8; Stille, History of the USSC, 159-160.
- 63. The USSC fitted out the *Daniel Webster* and *Ocean Queen* and the Medical Department renovated the *Cosmopolitan*, *Western Metropolis*, *Connecticut*, and *State of Maine*. *M&SHCW*, v12, 982, 984; Stille, *History of the USSC*, 154–158; Letterman, *Medical Recollections*, 9–11. Adams commented that the transport vessels were filthy, poorly equipped, and inadequately staffed until the USSC assumed control of them. This is contradictory to Letterman's assessment of these floating hospitals. Adams, *Doctors in Blue*, 71–72.
- 64. Steiner, Disease in the Civil War, 125; Reports, M&SHCW, v2, 93–96 (Letterman).
- 65. GMS to Hammond, Jul 9, 1862, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 66. Ibid.
- 67. SGO to GMS, Jul 15, 1862, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.

- 68. GMS to Letterman, Jul 19, 1862, GMS Narrative of Service to Surgeon General GMS to SGO, Jul 29, 1863, SGO to GMS, Aug 29, 1862, and GMS to SGO, Sep 18, 1862, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Sternberg, GMS, 28; Gibson, Soldier in White, 31.
- Gibson, Soldier in White, 31; M&SHCW, v3, 15 and v6, 935, 939, 940, 956; GMS, "Disease Germs," 451–455.
- 70. Editorial, "The Hospital at Portsmouth, R.I.," 115, 116.
- 71. GMS, "Address to the Pan-American Medical Congress," 371.
- 72. GMS to SGO, Nov 19, 1862 and SO#355, Adj Gen Office, Nov 20, 1862, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Harrington, Fighting Politician, 86.
- 73. Johnson, *Red River Campaign*, 10–25, 28; Harrington, *Fighting Politician*, 85, 86; Halleck to Banks, HQ of the Army, Nov 9, 1862, Minority Report, Report of Red River Expedition to the 38th Cong (Millwood, NY: Kraus Reprint Company, 1977), 16; SO#17, HQ Banks Expedition, Nov 26, 1862, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 74. Duffy, *History of Medicine in Louisiana*, v2, 319; OR, Series 1, v26, 13, 14; Johnson, *Red River Campaign*, 32–33; Harrington, *Fighting Politician*, 121–122, 124. SO#28, HQ Banks Expedition, Dec 14, 1862, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Chaille, "The Yellow Fever, Sanitary Condition, and Vital Statistics of New Orleans," 570–571; *M&SHCW*, v6, 676; Woodward to GMS, Woodward Letter Book, Curatorial Records, Otis Archives. Alexander installed GMS as secretary of the Board of Health. Brown, *Report on Quarantine*, 54.
- 75. GMS accompanied Banks' to the desolate, windswept flats of Brazos Island and Brownsville, Texas, in October. By mid-December, he was back at his desk in New Orleans. *OR*, Series 1, v26, 20, 397, 399; SO#16, HQ, Dept of the Gulf, Jan 19, 1864; GMS to Barnes, Feb 6, 1864, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 76. SO#74, Feb 15, and SO#84, War Dept, Washington, DC, Feb 20, 1864, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 77. Cleveland General Hospital, consisting of 11 wards, was located on an open plain in the University Heights suburbs, one mile from Cleveland proper. GMS commanded the camp until mid-August when Colonel Charles C. Smith, 10th Ohio Vol. Cavalry, assumed control of Camp Cleveland. SO#37, HQ, Northern Dept, Mar 12, 1864, GMS to Barnes, Mar 12, 1864, Tripler to GMS, Apr 16, 1864, SO #76, May 2, SO, May 5, 1864, SO#92, May 21, 1864, and SO#159, Aug 12, HQ, Northern Dept, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Indexes to Field Records of Hospitals, 1821–1912, Records of the AGO, RG94, Box 5, NARA; Stark, "The United States General Hospital at Cleveland, Ohio," 125–128.
- 78. GMS to Wood, Aug 19, 1864 and GMS to Wood, Nov 15, 1864, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA. Lutheran Church conservatives had advocated a more defined confessional position based on a revision of the Augsburg Confessions and symbolical books of the church. Levi became outraged, particularly over the suggestion Lutherans accept the Roman doctrine of transubstantiation, and led the opposition at Hartwick in an article titled "The Lord's Supper." Dr. Miller agreed with Levi's arguments, but pleaded with him not to publish it for fear of repercussions to the seminary. The dissension that rocked the church found its way into the seminary, polarized the student body, and caused a schism between Levi

and Miller. The growing conservative movement in the Lutheran church was extinguishing the evangelical fire, and Levi saw himself surrounded by adversaries. A moderate, George Miller was a burr under Levi's saddle as he fought the good fight for evangelicalism. By virtue of Miller's seniority at the school and his relationship as mentor and father-in-law, Rev. Sternberg had felt some obligation to be deferential, but as pressures mounted so did his insecurities, and he became ever more suspicious that opponents in the synods, on the board of trustees, and possibly Miller, were subverting his authority as principal. L. Sternberg, Story of My Life, 12, 14, 15 and "The Lord's Supper," 558–578; Jacobs, A History of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in the United States, 416, 418, 424–425; L. Sternberg to Lintner, Mar 10, 1864, Weiskotten to Lintner, Mar 21, 1864, and L. Sternberg to Lintner, Apr 24, 1864, Cooper Archives, Hartwick College, Oneonta, NY.

- 79. Miller to Pohlman, Nov 27, 1864, Cooper Archives, Hartwick College.
- 80. Pohlman to Miller, Dec 16, 1864, and Miller to Lintner, Dec 19, 1864, Cooper Archives, Hartwick College; L. Sternberg, *Story of My Life*, 12; GMS to Tripler, Nov 15, 1864, Tripler to GMS, Dec 17, 1864, SO#104, Dec 20, 1864, Medical Director's Office, Gen Hospital, Louisville, KY, GMS to Tripler, Dec 21, 1864, and GMS to Tripler, Mar 18, 1865, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 81. Gillett, *AMEDD 1865–1917*, 11; Tripler to GMS, Jul 4, 1865, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 82. SO#425, Aug 8, 1865, GMS to Tripler, Aug 29, 1865, and GMS to Wood, Aug 31, 1865, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.

Chapter Three

The Kansas Plains

- 1. Biographical Review, Otsego County, NY, 117; Freeman's Journal, Oct 27, 1865; Sternberg, GMS, 11.
- 2. The Military Division of the Missouri was composed of the Departments of the Missouri (Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, and New Mexico), the Platte (Iowa, Nebraska, Utah and parts of Dakota and Montana), Dakota (Minnesota and the remainder of Dakota and Montana), and the Arkansas (Indian Territory, now Oklahoma). Utley, Frontier Regulars, 2, 13–14, 45, 93, 94. Billings, Report on Barracks and Hospitals, 276; Weigley, The American Way of War, 157–158; Leckie, Military Conquest of the Southern Plains, 3, 28; Gillett, AMEDD, 1865–1917, 63; Sherman, Memoirs, v2, 412, 413.
- 3. Gillett, AMEDD, 1865–1917, 12; Ashburn, History of the Medical Department of the United States Army, 89; Brown, Medical Department United States Army, 244; GMS to Barnes, Jan 31, 1866, SO#89, Apr 14, 1866, and GMS to Barnes, Apr 30, 1866, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA. GMS was promoted to captain on 28 May 1866. At the end of the war, he had received "brevet" promotions, for gallantry in combat, to Captain and Major and therefore wore the rank of, and was addressed as, Major. Brevet promotions were honorary ranks given for gallantry and

- meritorious service. Although brevet rank had little practical significance, officers could be assigned on the basis of their brevet rank; however, for pay and retirement purposes, their regular, or permanent, rank applied. The issue of brevet versus regular rank can become confusing, therefore, only regular army rank will be used. Heitman, *Historical Register*, 921; *Official Army Register 1893*, 10; Weigley, *United States Army*, 110–111; Utley, *Frontier Regulars*, 13, 37 n. 13; Utley, personal communication, Aug 12, 1997.
- 4. Louisa returned to Cooperstown on account of "frail health." No other sources substantiate she was in poor health, and, as will be seen, her later actions contradict the idea that she lacked physical or emotional strength. M. Sternberg, GMS, 11; Billings, Report Barracks and Hospitals, 290; Post Returns, Fort Harker, M617, Roll 453, NARA; Zornow, Kansas, 137; Clapsaddle, "Conflict and Commerce on the Santa Fe Trail," 2, 133–134. In 1863, the railway was designated the Union Pacific, Eastern Division and in 1869 the name was changed to Kansas Pacific. Garfield, "Defense of the Kansas Frontier, 1866–1867," 326–344; Carriker and Carriker, eds. An Army Wife on the Frontier, 35; Medical History of Post, 1865–1872, (Fort Harker), vol 128, E547, RG94; Gibson, Soldier in White, 33–34; Rogers, Dinosaur Dynasty, 10, 11; Coffman, The Old Army, 254; Oliva, Fort Harker, 26-28.
- Jennie Barnitz to Albert Barnitz, Jul 21, 1867, Albert Barnitz Papers, Beineke Library, Yale University.
- 6. The reasons for Lamb's incarceration are unknown. Clary, "The Role of the Army Surgeon in the West," 53–66; Lynch, "The Day of Small Things in the United States Army, 1865–1898," 44; SO#43, May 8, 1866, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Post Returns, Ft. Harker; Wengert, "The Contract Surgeon," 67–76; Rickey, Forty Miles a Day on Beans and Hay, 131, 132; Gillett, AMEDD, 1865–1917, 49, 73, 74, 77; Knight, Life and Manners in the Frontier Army, 172–173.
- 7. Post Returns, Ft. Harker M617, Roll 453, NARA; Medical History of Post, Ft. Harker, 2, 15–16; Oliva, *Fort Harker*, 43.
- 8. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 19; Dobak, *Fort Riley and its Neighbors*, 41, 62; Dykstra, "Ellsworth, 1869–1875: The Rise and Fall of a Kansas Cowtown," 162, 163 and *Cattle Towns*, 31; Rogers, *Dinosaur Dynasty*, 11–12; C. Sternberg, *Life of a Fossil Hunter*, 11; Land Records, Registrar's Office, Ellsworth Kansas. Congress granted a 33.3 percent pay raise to all officers in the spring of 1867 retroactive to July 1, 1866, but for only two years. Coffman, *Old Army*, 84, 85, 265. Utley, ed., *Life in Custer's Cavalry*, 59.
- 9. L. Sternberg, Story of My Life, 21, 24.
- 10. After resigning from the seminary, Levi had accepted an oil company superintendency in Pennsylvania. Although the annual salary of \$2,000 was more money than Levi had ever contemplated earning, he was not fit for the job and after four months he resigned. In the fall of 1865, he accepted the Iowa position and began his duties in January 1866. L. Sternberg, *Story of My Life*, 12, 13, 20, 24. As of October 1867, Levi was still living in Albion, Iowa. CB Files, M1064, Roll 376, NARA.
- 11. Mrs. Sternberg indicated GMS was not in favor of settling his mother in Kansas, but Rogers noted it was part of his plan to coax his parents to Kansas from the time he purchased the ranch. Gibson does not refer to the episode, and Charles Sternberg

- merely stated he and his brother Edward moved to the ranch in 1867. GMS had good reason not to want his educated and refined mother near Ellsworth. Soon after its founding in 1867, it gained a reputation as a rough, seedy cowtown harboring the worst elements of society; however, this does not appear to have deterred his plans and his parents eventually moved into the town. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 18–19; Rogers, *Dinosaur Dynasty*, 1–12; Sternberg, *Life of a Fossil Hunter*, 5–6, 13–14; Dykstra, *Cattle Towns*, 113; Clapsaddle, "Conflict and Commerce," 136.
- 12. Moore, Cheyenne Nation, 46; Utley, Frontier Regulars, 93, 97, 103–107, 113, 114; Leckie, Military Conquest, 9, 30–32; Zwink, "E. W. Wynkoop and the Bluff Creek Council, 1866," 217; Garfield, "Defense of the Kansas Frontier," 326, 328; Carriker, Fort Supply, 3.
- 13. Billings, *Report Barracks and Hospitals*, 290; The railroad was not completed to Ellsworth until July 5. Zornow, *Kansas*, 152; Jennie Barnitz to Albert Barnitz, Jul 21, 1867, Albert Barnitz Papers, Beineke Library, Yale University.
- 14. Jennie Barnitz's Journal, Jul 20, 1867, Utley, Life in Custer's Cavalry, 91.
- 15. Utley, Life in Custer's Cavalry, 59, 91.
- 16. Utley, Life in Custer's Cavalry, 59; Carriker and Carriker, Army Wife on the Frontier, 42.
- 17. Utley, *Life in Custer's Cavalry*, 59; Jennie Barnitz to Albert Barnitz, Jul 21, 1867, Albert Barnitz Papers, Beineke Library, Yale University.
- 18. Early on July 4, an Indian scouting party did approach the Sternberg ranch, but dispersed at the site of a troop of cavalry. C. Sternberg, *Life of a Fossil Hunter*, 11; Utley, *Frontier Regulars*, 114–120; Leckie, *Military Conquest*, 47, 48, 56; Garfield, "Defense of the Kansas Frontier," 329–332; Medical History of Post, Ft. Harker, 9; Woodward, *Report on the Epidemic Cholera...During the Year 1867*, 29.
- 19. Powers and Younger, "Cholera on the Plains," 368; Woodward, *Report Epidemic Cholera*, 1867, 29–30, 41, 43. In 1874, line officers were further motivated to implement sanitary recommendations by the post surgeon when the army required them to routinely submit reports on the sanitation of their units to their commanding officer. Gillett, *AMEDD*, 1865–1917, 4, 39; Utley, *Frontier Regulars*, 86; Medical History of Post, Ft. Harker, 13.
- Rosenberg, Cholera Years, 198–200; Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 16–18, and Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 37, 43; Powers and Younger, "Cholera and the Army," 49.
- 21. Powers and Younger, "Cholera on the Plains," 360–361.
- 22. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 28, 29, 43.
- 23. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 29, 35 (tables).
- 24. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 29.
- 25. Armes, *Ups and Downs*, 231–232.
- GMS to Post Commander, Jul 9, 1867, Letters Received, SGO, 1818–1870, Box 96, RG112, NARA.
- GMS to Post Commander, Jul 13, 1867, Letters Received, SGO, 1818–1870, Box 96, RG112, NARA.

- GMS to Post Commander, Jul 17, 1867, Letters Received, SGO, 1818–1870, Box 96, RG112, NARA.
- 29. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 32.
- 30. PPMO, Boxes 354 (McClellan), 451 (Perry), and 545 (Squier), RG94, NARA; Powers and Younger, "Cholera on the Plains," 367, 372–373; Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 31.
- 31. Powers and Younger, "Cholera on the Plains," 368; Clapsaddle, "Conflict and Commerce," 137; Utley, *Life in Custer's Cavalry*, 89; Custer, *Tenting on the Plains*, 381.
- 32. Post Returns, Ft. Harker, M617, Roll 453, NARA; Armes, *Ups and Downs*, 234–235; Custer, *Tenting on the Plains*, 382.
- 33. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 29, 30, 31, 36; Leiker, "Voices from a Disease Frontier, 244–245; Utley, Life in Custer's Cavalry, 89.
- 34. Carriker and Carriker, Army Wife on the Frontier, 42.
- 35. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 29, 31, 33, 34, 37.
- 36. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 35.
- 37. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 33, 34, 35.
- 38. Ibid., 35.
- 39. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1866, xvi, 43, and appendices.
- 40. Wood, *Treatise on the Practice of Medicine*, 732–733; Howard-Jones, "Cholera Therapy," 382; Rothstein, *American Physicians*, 51, 59, 183–185, 188. Duffy, "History of Asiatic Cholera," 116; Rosenberg, *Cholera Years*, 222, 223; *Report Epidemic Cholera*, 1867, 30, 31, 35, 36; Powers and Younger, "Cholera and the Army," 49–54; Woodward, *Report Epidemic Cholera*, 1867, 35.
- 41. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 37.
- 42. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 29, 37, 38.
- 43. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 37.
- 44. Woodward, Report Epidemic Cholera, 1867, 38.
- 45. Ibid.
- 46. SO #163, HQ Dept of the Missouri, Fort Leavenworth, Jul 30, 1867, Box 2, Folder 13, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861-1917, MS C100, NLM; Post Returns, Fort Harker, KS, M617, Roll 453, NARA. Wood was scarce, and those who died at Harker that summer were buried in coffins hastily constructed from hardtack boxes. Custer, *Tenting on the Plains*, 381.
- Kappler, Indian Treaties, 982–989; Utley, Frontier Regulars, 132–133, 137–138, 142,
 147 and Life in Custer's Cavalry, 147; Leckie, Military Conquest, 64, 67; Wooster,
 Military and United States Indian Policy, 130; Sheridan, Personal Memoirs, v2, 283–284, 286.
- 48. Post Returns, Ft Riley, KS, Jan 1868, M617, Roll 1012, NARA; Leckie, Buffalo Soldiers, 27–28; Leckie, ed., Colonel's Lady, 13, 15. The act to increase the Military Peace Establishment of the United States on July 28, 1866, created six U.S. Colored

Regiments: the 9th and 10th Cavalry, and the 38th, 39th, 40th, and 41st Infantry. Unit pride and morale were high in these regiments; alcoholism extremely low; and desertion rates the lowest in the army. Dubbed "buffalo soldiers" by the Indians, they wore the sobriquet proudly, but whether it was their black curly hair or their ferocity, uncommon stamina, and courage in battle that was reminiscent of the buffalo is uncertain. White officers were assigned to these regiments. Utley, Frontier Regulars, 11; Leckie, Buffalo Soldiers, 6, 8, 26, 26 n. 14; Foner, Blacks and the Military, 52, 53; Smith, Fort Huachuca, 1; Orders, HQ Dept of the Missouri, Mar 23, 1868, and SO#70, HQ Dept of the Missouri, Apr 8, 1868, Box 2, Folder 14, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861-1917, MS C100, NLM; Muster Rolls, 10th Cavalry, Apr 1867 and Apr–Sep 1868, Boxes 1140, 1141, 1147, 1149, 1151, 1153, and 1155, RG94, NARA; Utley, Life in Custer's Cavalry, 143, 148–149.

- 49. Henry, *AFIP*, 58; SGO to GMS, Jul 30, 1868, and Woodward to GMS, Aug 6, 1868, Woodward Letterbook, 1868-69, Curatorial Records, Otis Archives, NMM; Lamb, "The Army Medical Museum in American Anthropology," 625–632; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 14; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 37.
- 50. Sheridan, *Memoirs*, v2, 288, 289–291; Armes, *Ups and Downs*, 265; Muster Rolls, 10th Cavalry, Apr–Sep 1868, Boxes 1138, 1140, 1141, 1147, 1149, 1151, 1153, and 1155, RG94, NARA; Leckie, *Military Conquest*, 69–71, 74; Utley, *Frontier Regulars*, 138; Godfrey, "Some Reminiscences, Including an Account of General Sully's Expedition Against the Southern Plains Indians," 419.
- 51. Leckie, *Military Conquest*, 74; Muster Rolls, 7th Cavalry; Burke, *Buffalo* Bill, 49; Armes, *Ups and Downs*, 273, 274.
- 52. When unwrapped at the Army Medical Museum, Sternberg's prize was found to be the remains of a Cheyenne child. For the complete report, see George A. Otis to GMS, 15 Oct 1868, Box 2, Folder 14, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM.
- 53. White, "General Sully's Expedition to the North Canadian," 75–98; Godfrey, "Some Reminiscences," 421–425; Armes, *Ups and Downs*, 274; Sheridan, *Memoirs*, v2, 297, 308–309; Utley, *Frontier Regulars*, 149–150 and *Life in Custer's Cavalry*, 228–229; Carriker, *Fort Supply*, 14; FGO#2, HQ, Fort Dodge, GMS to Adj Gen, Nov 7, 1868, SFO#40, Nov 22, 1868, and SFO#41, Nov 22, 1868, Box 2, Folder 14, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 13; Medical History of Post, Fort Supply, IT, Sep 1868–Feb 1893, 166, 1-3, RG94, NARA; Keim, *Sheridan's Troopers*, 102.
- 54. Keim, Sheridan's Troopers, 101; Utley, Life in Custer's Cavalry, 204, 208, 229; Custer, My Life on the Plains, 210, 214; Sheridan, Memoirs, v2, 308, 311–312; PPPMO, Boxes No. 342 (Lippincott), No. 482 (Renick), No. 19 (Asch), RG94, NARA; Medical History of Post, Camp Supply, 1, 2. Quarters and storehouses consisted of "pits, four and a half feet deep, walled with cottonwood logs extending above the ground about three feet and covered with logs, straw, and earth." Carriker, Fort Supply, 3, 17, 20, 21.
- 55. Carriker, Fort Supply, 22, 23; Hoig, Battle of the Washita, 118, 127, 129–134, 142; Custer, My Life on the Plains, 232–234, 240–248, 250; Keim, Sheridan's Troopers, 115–121, 124–125; Utley, Frontier Regulars, 150–152 and Life in Custer's Cavalry, 225–227, 237.

- 56. Utley, *Life in Custer's Cavalry*, 237. The greater omentum is a fold of peritoneal membrane passing from the greater curvature of the stomach to the transverse portion of the large intestine and hangs like an apron in front of the intestines. Barnitz recovered and was medically retired from the army in June 1870. He died July 18, 1912, from a growth around the wound received at the Washita. Utley, *Life in Custer's Cavalry*, 247.
- Albert to Jennie Barnitz, Dec 8, 1868, Albert Barnitz Papers, Beineke Library, Yale University.
- 58. Medical History of Post, Fort Supply 2, 3; Godfrey, "Some Reminiscences, Including the Washita Battle, Nov 27, 1868," 495; SGO to GMS, 4 Jan 1869, Otis Archives, NMM. There are very few direct references concerning the clinical care and specific instruments GMS used at this time. It is apparent the SGO was diligent in its efforts to keep frontier surgeons supplied with the most current medical instruments. SGO to GMS, Apr 4, 1868 and SGO to GMS, Jun 15, 1868, Letters & Endorsements Sent to Medical Officers, Sep 1862–Sep 1872, RG112, E7.
- 59. SFO#65, Dec 7, 1868, George A. Otis to GMS, May 15, 1869, SO#23, Mar 2, 1869, and SO#54, Apr 17, 1869, Box 2, Folders 14 and 15, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM; GMS to SGO, Mar 31, 1869, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 39. Captain Leonard Young Loring, born Feb 1, 1844 in St. Louis, was commissioned on May 14, 1867. Initially assigned to Downer's Station, Kansas, he arrived at Fort Riley in July 1868. He again became post surgeon when GMS departed in May 1870. Loring retired in 1908. Omer, "An Army Hospital: From Dragoons to Rough Riders," 337–367; Post Returns, Fort Riley, M617, Roll 1012, NARA.
- 60. Turner found the fossil skeleton of *Elasmosaurus platyurus*, a 34.5-feet-long mosasaur, 14 miles north of the fort, and dug it out of the chalk in late Dec 1867. Almy, "Thof's Dragon," 184; Otis to GMS, Jul 30 and Nov 24, 1868, Woodward to GMS, Aug 6, 1868, Woodward Letterbook, 1868–1869, Otis Archives, NMM; Leidy, "Contributions to the Extinct Vertebrate Fauna of the Western Territories," 269–291.
- 61. The "considerable herd of cattle" noted by Levi became the Smoky Hill Dairy, a major butter producer for the area. Over the next five years, Levi became a successful farmer and then cattleman, being elected president of the Stock Growers Association of Kansas in 1873. While earning a statewide reputation as an agriculturist, he also was appointed pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Ellsworth and was on one of the early boards of regents for Kansas State College. In another year, the elder Sternberg's estate would be valued at \$7,500, third largest in the county, and Theodore owned an additional \$2,000 worth of real estate in his own right. L. Sternberg, Story of My Life, 24, 25-26; Dykstra, "Ellsworth: 1869-1875," 163 and Cattle Towns, 309. Although still impressive, Fort Riley was entering the low ebb of its existence. When the Kansas Pacific Railroad reached Ellsworth in the summer of 1867, the army moved the quartermaster depot from Riley to Fort Harker. With it went jobs and civilian optimism that the fort would continue to support the local economy. In July 1869, General John M. Schofield, Commander, Department of the Missouri, converted Fort Riley into a school of instruction for light artillery, but the post's garrison continued to decline through 1870. Registers, Medical Officers of the Regular Army arriving at the SGO, 1848–1889, RG112.

- 62. M. Sternberg, GMS, 14, 15, 16-17.
- 63. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 16–17; Dobak, *Riley and its Neighbors*, 100, 120, 121; Post Returns, Ft. Riley, M617, Roll 1012, NARA.
- 64. Gibson, Soldier in White, 50.
- 65. Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 49. Although GMS had grown up in a home where alcohol was forbidden, it does not appear he was a teetotaler himself or a man who did not enjoy a friendly wager every now and again. He and Captain George Armes engaged in a horse race while in camp during the summer of 1868. The prize was a basket of wine, which Armes declared he would have won had his horse not commenced to bucking just short of the finish line. Armes, *Ups and Downs*, 271.
- 66. Gibson, Soldier in White, 41-42, 67-68; M. Sternberg, GMS, 16, 22-24, 38-39.
- 67. GMS to SGO, May 10, 1869 and Jul 1, 1869, Letters Received, SGO, 1818–1870, Box 96, RG112, NARA.
- 68. Hamilton to SGO, Jun 12, 1869, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 69. Ibid.
- 70. M. Sternberg, GMS, 14, 16–18; Gibson, Soldier in White, 45–49. The origin of GMS' interest in photography is unknown, but Mrs. Sternberg mentions it at this time. GMS probably used two types of photographic plates, depending on what he had access to and could afford. From 1856, dry photographic plates coated with an emulsion of collodion gel and iodide was available. In 1864, Bolton and Sayce of Liverpool replaced iodide with silver bromide—a faster developer—and by 1867 these were available in dry form. Gernsheim and Gernsheim, "The Photographic Arts: Photography," 728. Experimentation with photomicrographs began in the early 1850s and, by 1856, had been refined enough that John W. Draper illustrated his text Human Physiology with original microscopic photographs. Cassedy, "The Microscope in American Medical Science," 89, 90. Woodward and Major Edward Curtis pioneered the art of photomicrography in 1864. The description of their work in Circular #6, November 1, 1865 and in the second part of the Catalogue of the Microscopical Section of the Army Medical Museum were probably read by GMS. Henry, AFIP, 36. Bayne-Jones stated GMS made photomicrographs at the Army Medical Museum in the late 1860s. This author can find no other sources that substantiate or even discuss this event. Bayne-Jones, Evolution of Preventive Medicine in the United States Army, 112, 118; GMS, "Researches Relating to the Etiology of Yellow Fever," 16; Flaumenhaft and Flaumenhaft, "Evolution of America's Pioneer Bacteriologist: George M. Sternberg's Formative Years," 449.
- 71. For a comparison of the careers of GMS and Woodward, see Gillett, "A Tale of Two Surgeons," 404–414.
- 72. Hume, Victories of Army Medicine, 58-60; Kober, "General Albert J. Myer and the United States Weather Bureau," 65–82; GMS, "Sterility of the Plains"; Patent Application for an Improved Anemometer, Box 2, Folder 16, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM GMS Papers, NLM; M. Sternberg, GMS, 17; Gibson, Soldier in White, 44–45.

- 73. G. M. Sternberg's Electro-magnetic Regulator for Dampers and Valves Secured by Letters Patent, No. 100, 462, Granted Mar 1, 1870, Ltrs Rec'd by the SGO, 1818–1870, Box 96, RG112, NARA.
- 74. Scientific American, Aug 27, 1870.
- 75. Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 41, 42, 50; Post History, Fort Harker, RG94; Miles, *A History of the National Library of Medicine*, 96–97. The *American Journal of Medical Sciences* was received from the SGO Library by the Fort Harker medical library. Medical History of Post, Ft Harker, RG94.
- 76. Collected Papers of Joseph, Baron Lister, v2, 2.
- 77. Pasteur's work (1857-1865) established a germ theory of fermentation and destroyed the concept of spontaneous generation. As early as 1864, British surgeons were evaluating the relationship of Pasteur's work on fermentation to postoperative infection. Lister believed the airborne germs that decomposed wine could also decompose human flesh in the same manner. At this time, he did not conceive of a specific germ theory of disease, i.e., individual microbes causing individual diseases. Lister's article, "On a new method of treating compound fracture, abscess, etc., with observations on the conditions of suppuration," appeared in the Lancet in the summer of 1867 and had reached Boston, Chicago, and New York a few weeks later. American medical journals, such as the Medical Record, Chicago Medical Examiner, and the American Journal of Medical Sciences, had reprinted or abstracted the article by the time autumn numbers were published. Progressive-minded surgeons J. Collins Warren, of Boston, and Faneuil Weisse, of New York, visited Glasgow and worked with Lister in 1868. Accounts of their experiences were published in U.S. journals in the spring of 1869. Pasteur, "On the Organized Bodies Which Exist in the Atmosphere," 43-48; Geison, Private Science of Louis Pasteur, 36; Brieger, "American Surgery and the Germ Theory of Disease," 136, 137; Gariepy, "Introduction and Acceptance of Listerian Antisepsis in the United States," 167, 169, 170, 174; Tomes, "American Attitudes toward the Germ Theory," 21-28; Bulloch, History of Bacteriology, 159, 160, 165-166, 182-183; Curtis, "On the Cryptogamic Origin of Disease," 467-471; Letzrich, "Fungus as a Cause of Whooping Cough," 49.
- 78. GMS, "An Inquiry into the Nature of the Yellow Fever Poison," 405; Bacterial staining was first performed by Hermann Hoffman of Giesen in 1869 using carmine and fuchsin in water. More durable aniline dyes would not come into vogue for another year. Oil-immersion lens was developed in the 1880s. Bulloch, *History of Bacteriology*, 213–214; Clark and Kasten, *History of Staining*, 91, 92.
- 79. GMS to Barnes, Mar 6, 1870, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA. Garrison, *John Shaw* Billings, 150–151.

Chapter Four

A Career in Medical Science Begins

- Gillett, AMEDD, 1865–1917, 28; Shryock, American Medical Research, 42–44. The Sternbergs occupied one of four sets of officer's quarters that faced onto the parade ground. Each of the two-story frame structures had a basement and attic, containing a total of 16 rooms and a backyard planted with fruit trees and shrubs. M. Sternberg, GMS, 20, 21.
- 2. Duffy, *History of Public Health in New York City*, 162; Shrady, "Yellow Fever and the Vagaries of the Board of Health," 397–398; *NYT*, "The Governor's Island Fever," Sep 21, "Yellow Fever," Oct 2, and "The Yellow Fever," Oct 5, 1870. GMS said at the time, "I fear yellow fever," but in 1880 he freely admitted he, Page, and the New York Board of Health "supposed they were dealing with a malignant form of malarial fever, until the distinguished Dr. Nott, formerly of Mobile, saw the cases and without hesitation made a diagnosis of yellow fever, which it undoubtedly was." Sternberg, *GMS*, 21, 22; GMS, Letter to the Editor, 486–487.
- 3. *NYT*, "Yellow Fever," Oct 2 and "The Yellow Fever," Oct 5, 1870; Shrady, "Yellow Fever and the Vagaries of the Board of Health," 397–398; Nott, "On the Natural History of Yellow Fever," 451–453; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 22.
- 4. M. Sternberg, GMS, 22-23.
- 5. M. Sternberg, GMS, 23.
- 6. M. Sternberg, GMS, 23–24; Gibson, Soldier in White, 53–54.
- Duffy, Public Health in New York City, 200–201; Smith, "The New York Quarantine Establishment," 202; Gibson, Soldier in White, 55; Smith, Governor's Island, 113, 141; McParlin to Barnes, Oct 2, 1870, PPPMO, Box 373 (McParlin), RG94, NARA.
- 8. NYT, "The Yellow Fever," Oct 5, 9, and 11, 1870.
- 9. Gibson, Soldier in White, 55–56; M. Sternberg, GMS, 24; Smith, Governor's Island, 189
- M. Sternberg, GMS, 24; Smith, Governor's Island, 111; SO#86, Apr 26, 1871, SO#110, May 26, 1871, and SO#129, Jun 20, 1871, HQ, Dept of the East, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 11. Billings, *Rpt Barracks and Hospitals*, 6–8; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 25, 26; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 59.
- 12. Simons to SGO, Sep 1, 1872, PPPMO, Box 524 (Simons), RG94, NARA; M. Sternberg, GMS, 26; SO#129, Jun 20, 1871, HQ Dept of the East, GMS to Adj Gen, Aug 21, 1872, GMS to Barnes, Aug 31, 1872, and SO#137, Sep 2, 1872, HQ Dept of the Gulf, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Gibson, Soldier in White, 62; Herrick, "Review of Yellow Fever in New Orleans," 645–652; Humphreys, Yellow Fever and the South, 57; Carrigan, Saffron Scourge, 90; Duffy, History of Medicine in Louisiana, v2, 459, 460, 461–464.
- M. Sternberg, GMS, 28, 29; Simons to SGO, 3 Oct 1872, PPPMO, Box 524 (Simons), RG94, NARA; GMS to Barnes, Sep 4, 1872, GMS to Simons, Oct 11, 1872,

- and GMS to Barnes, Oct 31, 1872, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Billings, Report Hygiene of the United States Army, 115, 116.
- 14. M. Sternberg, GMS, 29.
- 15. Ibid.
- 16. M. Sternberg, GMS, 30; Eales, Army Wives on the American Frontier, 65; GMS, "An Inquiry into the Yellow Fever Poison," 398.
- 17. GMS, "An Inquiry into the Yellow Fever Poison," 398.
- 18. Ibid., 399.
- 19. Ibid., 403.
- 20. Ibid., 406.
- 21. Ibid., 406.
- 22. Surgeon Harvey Brown disagreed with GMS's assessment that a port of entry could not be determined. He stated the disease "was undoubtedly due to the arrival... of vessels which...had evaded the New York quarantine by entering at Perth Amboy, New Jersey, and coming thence to New York. The tide in the channel between the island and Brooklyn is such that articles thrown overboard from these ships would readily be carried to the island." Brown, Report on Quarantine, 14. Dr. Carnochan, Health Officer for New York City, stated in the New York Times a number of ships infected with yellow fever arrived from August through September. NYT, "The Quarantine Troubles," Aug 17, "Quarantine Affairs," Sep 15, "Yellow Fever at Quarantine," Sep 28, and "The Yellow Fever," Oct 5, 1870.
- 23. GMS, "An Inquiry into the Yellow Fever Poison," 399.
- 24. Ibid., 403, 404.
- 25. Ibid., 403–405.
- 26. Ibid., 406.
- 27. Reilly, "Yellow-Fever Epidemic of 1873," 225.
- 28. Ibid.
- 29. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola, Fla., in 1873, 1874, and 1875," n.1, 473, 474; Sternberg, GMS, 32. The urine of yellow fever patients will contain a small amount of albumin early in the infection and increase by days 4 and 5. During Sternberg's era, a diagnostic precipitation test, either by boiling the urine or using nitric acid, was employed on days 2 or 3 of the infection. Brown, Medical Diagnosis, 207.
- 30. Reilly, "Yellow-Fever Epidemic 1873," 210, 215; ARSG 1874, 12; Herrick, "Review Yellow Fever in New Orleans," 647; M. Sternberg, GMS, 33; GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 473.
- 31. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 474.
- 32. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 474-476; John Milton Brannon, 218 ACP, 1881, Letters Received by the Appointment, Commission, and Personnel Branch, AGO, 1871-1894, RG94, NARA.

- 33. Petition of Grievances, 1874, George M. Sternberg Papers, MS C100, Box 2, Folder 9, NLM; SGO to Sec of War, Apr 2, 1869 and War Dept Paymaster Gen to SGO, Mar 31, 1869, M1064, Roll 446, NARA.
- 34. James Herron, "Yellow Fever at Pensacola in 1874," Annual Report, Supervising Surgeon-General of the Marine Hospital Service of the United States for the Fiscal Year 1874 (Washington, DC: GPO, 1874), 195–196.
- 35. Tryon, "Epidemic of Yellow Fever at the Navy-Yard, 454; Hamersly, *Records of Living Officers of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps*, 446–447; General Navy Records, RG45; NARA; GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 476; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 33, 34.
- 36. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 476; ARSG 1875, 6.
- 37. Ibid., 477.
- 38. Gibson, Soldier in White, 66.
- 39. Woolsey to Sec Nav, Sep 12, 1874, Letters from Commandants, v235, General Records, Navy, E34, RG45, NARA. Why the mail from Florida was not fumigated is not mentioned. Since 1822, New Orleans had been fumigating mail during epidemics. This practice consisted of punching small holes in pieces of mail with a special mallet of nails and then exposing it to dilute fumes of sulfuric or carbolic acid gas in an enclosed railroad car. Meyer, *Disinfected Mail*, 311–320.
- 40. SO#99, Oct 2, 1873, General and Special Orders, Fort Barrancas, Box 13, Records US Army Continental Command, RG393, NARA; Tryon, "Epidemic of Yellow Fever at the Navy-Yard," 454; Woolsey to Sec Nav, Sep 18, 1874, Letters from Commandants, v235, E34, RG45, NARA.
- 41. Tryon, "Epidemic of Yellow Fever at the Navy-Yard," 454–456.
- 42. Gibson, Soldier in White, 67.
- 43. Ibid., 68.
- 44. Correspondence, Sept-Oct, 1874, Letters from Commandants, v235, RG45, Gen Records, Navy, E34.
- 45. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 476, 478.
- 46. M. Sternberg, GMS, 34-35.
- 47. Herron, "Yellow Fever at Pensacola in 1874," 199; GMS, "An Inquiry into the Modus Operandi," 1–23, Billings, *Report, Hygiene of the United States Army, Circular #8*, 118.
- 48. Sternberg surmised from the location of the mound, the workmanship and decoration of the pots, and the iron nails he found that Natchez Indians had inhabited the area by during the time of DeSoto's exploration of Florida. His discovery was a small one, but proved to be significant enough to be reported to the American Association for the Advancement of Science in 1879. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 35, 36–38; GMS to SGO, Dec 7, 1874, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA; SO#22, Ft. Barrancas, Apr 27, 1875, General and Special Orders, Fort Barrancas, Box 13, Records US Army Continental Command, RG393, NARA.
- GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 469–478; List of Members of the APHA, Appendix, PHRP, v5, 254.

- 50. GMS, "An Inquiry into the Modus Operandi of the Yellow Fever Poison," 1.
- 51. Ibid.
- 52. Ibid., 2.
- 53. Ibid., 3-11.
- 54. Ibid., 7.
- 55. GMS, "An Inquiry into the Modus Operandi of the Yellow Fever Poison," 9, 11–23. Fungi continued to hold center stage as the most acceptable life form to support the germ theory of disease. Barnhard, "Germ Theory of Disease and its Relations to Hygiene," 71.
- 56. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 479; Cooper to Sec Nav, Jul 6, 1875, Letters from Commandants, v245, General Records, Navy, E34, RG45, NARA; Herron, "Yellow Fever at Barrancas," 139.
- 57. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 480; Herron, "Yellow Fever at Barrancas," 141.
- 58. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 480, 481, 484; Cooper to Sec Nav, Jul 22, 1875 Letters from Commandants, v245, General Records, Navy, E34, RG45, NARA; SO#47, Jul 22, 1875, SO#48, Jul 26, 1875, General Orders, Fort Barrancas, FL, RG393, Box 13, NARA; GMS, "Study of the Natural History of Yellow Fever," 638–674.
- 59. M. Sternberg, GMS, 38.
- 60. Ibid.
- 61. Apparently, GMS had discussed Martha's leaving with his commander earlier and he readily agreed. It is interesting that Brannan, experienced as he was with the disease, did not put his own wife in that wagon. He may have considered the effect of such action very demoralizing to the other wives, but the decision would soon come back to haunt him. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 38, 39.
- 62. M. Sternberg, GMS, 39.
- Beale to Cooper, Jul 23, 1875, Letters from Commandants, v245, RG45, Navy Records, NARA.
- Cooper to Beale, Jul 23, 1875, Letters from Commandants, v245, RG45, Navy Records, NARA.
- 65. Cooper to Beale, 1:15 PM, Jul 26, 1875, Letters from Commandants, v245, RG45, Navy Records, NARA.
- 66. Cooper to Beale, 2:35 PM, Jul 26, 1875, Letters from Commandants, v245, RG45, Navy Records, NARA.
- 67. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 481, 482; Herron, "Yellow Fever at Barrancas," 146; PPPMO, Boxes 264 (Herron), 504 (Salomon), 379 (Mandeville), RG94, NARA; Billings, Report Hygiene of the United States Army, Circular #8, 116; GMS, "Study of the Natural History of Yellow Fever," 671.
- 68. GMS, "Study of the Natural History of Yellow Fever," 667.

- 69. GMS, "Study of the Natural History of Yellow Fever," 667–668 and "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 481–483; Faget, "Type and Specific Character of True Yellow Fever," 157–160. For the standard therapeutics used in yellow fever, see Wood, *Treatise of Medicine*, v1, 331–337, and Reynolds, *System of Medicine*, v1, 674–676.
- 70. M. Sternberg, GMS, 39-40.
- 71. Surgeon General Barnes wired Brannan to do everything in his power to see Sternberg through this crisis and sent Assistant Surgeon Harvey E. Brown, post surgeon at Fort Jefferson, Key West to Barrancas to assume post surgeon duties. By the time Brown arrived on August 5, Sternberg was recovering and the epidemic was in its final stages. GMS, "A Study of the Natural History of Yellow Fever," 667 and "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 483; Herron, "Yellow Fever at Barrancas," 139–140; M. Sternberg, GMS, 39; RG94, PPMO, Box 75 (H. E. Brown), NARA; SO#53, HQ Fort Barrancas, Aug 16, 1875, RG393, Box 13, General and Special Orders, Fort Barrancas, NARA; Gibson, Soldier in White, 77.
- 72. GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 483.
- 73. GMS, "A Study of the Natural History of Yellow Fever," 667; "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 483.
- 74. Mrs. Sternberg's parting from the brave, kindly old woman was somewhat bittersweet. For a month, she had provided shelter and comfort "even as my own mother would have done." The trip to Pensacola was not without its difficulties, however. A severe rainstorm required a night in a logger's camp, and once they were on the way again, a lone horseman hailed them. When the rider inquired if she were Mrs. Sternberg, her heart sank in fear of more bad news. He assured her that was not the case, and that he had been sent from Pensacola by Dr. Herron's mother to meet them. At the request of her son and Sternberg, she had made arrangements for Martha's travel and hoped that Martha would stop by for a rest and some tea before departing. Martha consented and the party continued on to Pensacola. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 40, 41; SO#54, HQ Fort Barrancas, Aug 16, 1875, RG393, Box 13, General and Special Orders, Fort Barrancas, NARA; GMS to SGO, Aug 31, 1875, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.

Chapter Five

Return to the Field

1. Theodore Sternberg, who had resumed his law practice in St. Louis once his father and younger brothers had firm control of the farm, most likely assisted with their rendezvous. M. Sternberg, GMS, 42; SGO to GMS, Aug 31, 1875, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA. Butter and milk from the Smoky Hill were of superior quality and highly prized in the area. Levi had expanded the ranch by another 280 acres and built a herd of cattle that provided one or two car-loads of steers for market each year. Already recognized as a leader among the agriculturists and dairymen of the county, Levi had been elected president of the Cattleman's Association in 1873.

His desire to remain active in higher education was well received at the Kansas State Agricultural College in Manhattan where he was appointed chairman of the examining committee and a few years later was elected to that institution's board of regents. L. Sternberg, *Story of My Life*, 24–27.

- 2. M. Sternberg, GMS, 42.
- SGO to Adj Gen, Sept 26, 1875, SGO to Adj Gen, Oct 7, 1875, GMS to SGO, Nov 5, 1875, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; ACP files (Brannan), NARA; GMS, "Yellow Fever in Pensacola," 484–485; Abstract of Minutes, Meetings of the APHA, Apr 18, 1872–Nov 12, 1875, PHRP, v2, 551.
- M. Sternberg, GMS, 42–43, 45; GMS to SGO, Dec 24, 1875, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 5. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 45; GMS to SGO, Nov 30, 1875, Jan 31, Feb 29, and Mar 31, 1876, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- M. Sternberg, GMS, 46–47; GMS to SGO, May 16, 1876, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 7. M. Sternberg, GMS, 46-47.
- 8. GMS to SGO, May 31, 1876, and GMS to SGO, Jun 8, 1876, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Utley, "Oliver Otis Howard," 55–64.
- 9. GMS to SGO, Aug 31, 1876, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; M. Sternberg, GMS, 47–48; Utley, Frontier Regulars, 258–260; Connell, Son of the Morning Star, 383.
- 10. Old Joseph claimed the Wallowa country, bounded essentially by the Snake River on the east, the Grand Ronde River on the west, and the Wallowa Mountains to the south and southwest, for the Nez Percé from that moment forward. The other chiefs claimed ownership of land extending northeast of this region into the Idaho Territory. Beal, *I Will Fight No More Forever*, 14–18, 24–26, 29–30, 33–37; Hampton, *Children of Grace*, 19–21, 28; McWhorter, *Hear Me My Chiefs*, 94, 97, 102, 107–108, 132, 135.
- 11. Utley, "O. O. Howard," 59–60; Josephy, *The Nez Perce Indians*, 473–474, 475, 477; Birtle, U. S. Counterinsurgency and Contingency Operations Doctrine, 79.
- 12. GMS to SGO, Aug 31, 1876, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; M. Sternberg, GMS, 48; Billings, Report on Hygiene, Circular #8, 490–491; Hart, Tour Guide to Old Western Forts, 190–191; Medical History of Posts, Ft Walla Walla, v797, RG94; Post Returns, Ft Walla Walla, M617, Roll 1344, NARA.
- 13. Weigley, *United States Army*, 271; Medical History of Posts, Ft Walla Walla, v797, RG94.
- 14. M. Sternberg, GMS, 49.
- 15. M. Sternberg, GMS, 49–52; C. Sternberg, Life of a Fossil Hunter, 171.
- 16. M. Sternberg, GMS, 51.
- 17. Ibid., 52.
- M. Sternberg, GMS, 51–52; GMS to SGO, Dec 15, 1878, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.

- 19. Josephy, *Nez Perce Indians*, 484, 486–494; Beal, *I Will Fight No More*, 37–38, 40. Mrs. Sternberg and a number of other ladies of the garrison attended the meeting, and were impressed by Ollikot's tall, handsome, graceful presence and frank diplomatic manner. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 54–55; Hampton, *Children of Grace*, 49–50.
- 20. Hampton, *Children of Grace*, 52–55; Josephy, *Nez Perce Indians*, 497, 500–505; Beal, *I Will Fight No More*, 40–42.
- 21. Beal, I Will Fight No More, 49–51, 55–56; ARSW 1877, v1, 601–602; Howard, My Life and Experiences, 287; Howard, Saga of Chief Joseph, 151, 153; Hampton, Children of Grace, 57, 60, 69–70, 81; Brown, Flight of the Nez Perce, 71–80, 131–133.
- 22. Josephy, Nez Perce Indians, 518, 524–525; Howard to Wood, Jun 18, 1877, Bailey to Adj, 19 Jun 1877 (#978 and #979), Kress to Wood, Jun 20, 1877, Ltrs Rec'd, Dept of the Columbia, RG393, E715; Howard, Saga of Chief Joseph, 154.
- 23. Post Returns, Ft Lapwai, Roll 594, and Ft Walla Walla, Roll 1344, M617, NARA; Gibson, Soldier in White, 95; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 223–224; Howard, My Life and Experiences, 286–287; M. Sternberg, GMS, 58; Howard to Grover, Jun 19, 1877, Grover to Adj Gen, Jun 19, 1877, Ltrs Rec'd, Dept of the Columbia, RG393, NARA; Laufe, ed., An Army Doctor's Wife, 254, 257, 259.
- 24. Sternberg's surgical kit, including ether anesthesia, had not changed significantly since the Civil War. However, his dressing technique now included carbolic acid solutions. While carbolic acid was a well-known disinfectant and carbolated oil and ointments had been used on wounds in the Army as early as 1868, Baron Joseph Lister's participation in the International Medical Congress at Philadelphia in June 1876 did a great deal to stimulate interest in, and acceptance of, his antiseptic method in the United States. In 1877, Captain and Assistant Surgeon Alfred C. Girard reported on the success German army surgeons were experiencing with Lister's method. He was greatly impressed with this system of wound care. He noted in his report to the Surgeon General that, with the exception of the antiseptic gauze, all of the equipment and materials used by Lister were available in the army supply table. Girard, "Report on the materials used in Lister's system," 4–12; M. Sternberg, GMS, 58–59; Gibson, Soldier in White, 95; ARSW 1877, 602; Brown, Flight of the Nez Perce, 144–145; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 224; Farrow, "Assembling of the Soldiers and the Battle of Clearwater," 151.
- 25. Gibson, Soldier in White, 95.
- 26. ARSW 1877, 602; Brown, Flight of the Nez Perce, 144–145; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 224
- 27. Farrow, "The Assembling of the Soldiers and the Battle of Clearwater," 152–153; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 224–227; Muster Rolls, Co E, 4th Artillery, Box 1321, and Co H, 21st Infantry, Box, 625, RG94, NARA; Howard, My Life and Experiences, 287; Bancroft to Wood, Jun 19, 1877, Burton to Wood, Jun 20, 1877, Throckmorton to Wood, Jun 20, 1877, and Grover to Wood, Jun 20, 1877, Ltrs Rec'd, Dept of the Columbia, Box 43, E715, RG393, NARA; Hampton, Children of Grace, 84; Parnell, "The Salmon River Expedition," 127; ARSW 1877, 602; Gibson, Soldier in White, 97.
- 28. Hampton, Children of Grace, 87–88; ARSW 1877, 602; Brown, Flight of the Nez Perce, 158–159; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 227–228; Gibson, Soldier in White, 96.

- 29. Gibson, Soldier in White, 97; Parnell, "The Salmon River Expedition," 128; Hampton, Children of Grace, 90–91; ARSW 1877, 603.
- 30. Gibson, Soldier in White, 97.
- 31. Farrow, "Assembling of Soldiers and the Battle of Clearwater," 154; Hampton, *Children of Grace*, 91; *ARSW 1877*, 603; Hall to SGO, Jul 31, 1877, PPMO, Box 240 (Hall), RG94, NARA; Jocelyn, *Mostly Alkalai*, 228, 229; Brown, *Flight of the Nez Perce*, 160–161, 166.
- 32. Parnell, "The Salmon River Expedition," 128; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 97; Brown, *Flight of the Nez Perce*, 173; Hampton, *Children of Grace*, 96.
- 33. Hampton, Children of Grace, 96; Gibson, Soldier in White, 96.
- 34. Parnell, "The Salmon River Expedition," 129.
- 35. Gibson, Soldier in White, 98.
- 36. Parnell, "The Salmon River Expedition," 129; Hampton, Children of Grace, 96.
- 37. ARSW 1877, 603–604; Gibson, Soldier in White, 98. Medical duties remained few, and GMS entertained himself productively by fishing, which made an "agreeable change in our [his and tent mate Captain Miller's] bill of fare." Gibson, Soldier in White, 98.
- 38. Captain Marcus Miller prepared a statement of the incident. Were it not for the tragedy of the event, Miller's concise summation would be rather amusing. Miller asked, "who shot the sentinel? Lt. Paddock came to my tent & said, 'I shot him, Colonel, I thought he was an Indian, he had a blanket about him.' I [Miller] said to him 'that is because you are a young Officer, don't you know better than that, no Indian would appear that way.' Did you challenge him? He answered, 'No, Sir.' I saw that he felt as badly as anyone would feel about it and that it was an accident. I heard in the morning that the Officer was a somnambulist & gave orders to his Captain (Morris, who tented with him) to see that Lt. Paddock had no musket with him hereafter at night.... No further action was taken by me with the [exception] to recommend to send the Officer to the rear.' Miller to Wood, Jul 26, 1877, Ltrs Rec'd, Dept of the Columbia, Box 43, E715, RG393; Brown, Flight of the Nez Perce, 174–175.
- McWhorter, Hear Me My Chiefs, 294–297; ARSW 1877, 604; Hampton, Children of Grace, 107–108.
- 40. Hampton, Children of Grace, 109–111; ARSW 1877, 604; McWhorter, Hear Me My Chiefs, 297, 299, 301; Beal, I Will Fight No More, 73; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 232.
- 41. McWhorter, *Hear Me My Chiefs*, 305; Trimble, "Battle of the Clearwater," 144–145; Farrow, "Assembling of the Soldiers and the Battle of Clearwater," 159; Parnell, "The Salmon River Expedition," 131; Jocelyn, *Mostly Alkalai*, 232, 237; *ARSW 1877*, 605; Post Returns, Fort Lapwai, Roll 594, and Fort Vancouver, Roll 1317, M617, NARA; McWhorter, *Hear Me My Chiefs*, 305; Brown, *Flight of the Nez Perce*, 188; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 99.
- 42. Gibson, Soldier in White, 100-101; M. Sternberg, GMS, 60, 61.
- 43. Greenleaf to SGO, Jun 24, 1890.

- 44. SGO to Adj Gen, Jan 15, 1891, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Farrow, "Assembling of the Soldiers and the Battle of Clearwater," 159; Gibson, Soldier in White, 100–101; M. Sternberg, GMS, 60–61.
- 45. Farrow, "Assembling of the Soldiers and the Battle of Clearwater," 159–160; *ARSW* 1877, 605; Trimble, "Battle of the Clearwater," 145, 146–147; Jocelyn, *Mostly Alkalai*, 233.
- 46. Later at Ft Lapwai, GMS bought 4 or 5 ceremonial garments for \$10 to \$25 apiece. Laufe, Army Doctors Wife, 290; Post Returns, Ft Lapwai, Jul 1877, Roll 594 and Ft Vancouver, Aug-Sep, 1877, Roll 1317, M617, NARA; Muster Rolls, H troop, Jun–Aug 1877, Box 869 and L Troop, Jul–Aug 1877, Box 876, 1st Cavalry, RG94, NARA; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 237; ARSG 1878, 11; ARSW 1877, 606; Hampton, Children of Grace, 117; Field Orders #28, Jul 14, 1877, Ltrs pertaining to Chief Joseph & Nez Perce Campaign, E721, RG393, NARA; GMS to SGO, Jul 15, 1877, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Gibson, Soldier in White, 102. Horse litters were easier on the wounded than jostling over rough trails in a wagon, well known to frontier surgeons, and Sternberg had employed it during his campaigns in Kansas. Otis, Report, Transport of Sick and Wounded, 17; M. Sternberg, GMS, 61–62.
- 47. M. Sternberg, GMS, 62; ARSW 1877, 606; Jocelyn, Mostly Alkalai, 237; ARSG 1878, 11, 12.
- 48. Gibson, Soldier in White, 103.
- 49. Post Returns, Ft Vancouver, Sep 1877, Roll 1317, M617, NARA.
- 50. M. Sternberg, GMS, 62; Gibson, Soldier in White, 104.
- 51. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 63; GMS to SGO, Jul 22, 1877, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 105.
- 52. M. Sternberg, GMS, 63, 64.
- 53. Gibson, Soldier in White, 105.
- 54. Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 105–106; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 63; GMS to SGO, Jul 22, 1877, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 55. M&SHCW, v11, 410.
- 56. Medical History of Post, Ft Lapwai, Roll 3, 903, NARA; Post Returns, Ft Lapwai, Jul 1877, Roll 594, M617, NARA; Thompson, "Summer of '77 at Fort Lapwai," 15; GMS to SGO, Jul 31, 1877, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Laufe, Army Doctor's Wife, 281, 288.
- 57. Bailey to Wood, Aug 6, 1877, Ltrs Rec'd, Dept of the Columbia, Box 43, RG393, NARA; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 64, 65; Thompson, "The Summer of '77 at Fort Lapwai," 15; Laufe, *Army Doctor's Wife*, 286.
- 58. M. Sternberg, GMS, 64, 65; Laufe, Army Doctor's Wife, 288.
- 59. M. Sternberg, GMS, 64.
- 60. Ibid., 65.
- 61. Bailey to Adj Gen, Dept of the Columbia, Aug 6, 1877, SO#114, HQ, Dept of the Columbia, Aug 13, 1877, and SO#139, Sep 26, 1877, Ltrs Rec'd, Dept of the Columbia, Box 43, RG393; M&SHCW, v11, n1, 410; Brown, Flight of the Nez Perce, 198.

Chapter Six

Debut on the National Stage

- Kober, Reminiscences, v1, 41–43, 59–62, 67, 229, 359 and Reminiscences, v2, Part 10, 23–24, Box 18, MS C115 George M. Kober Papers, NLM.
- 2. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 67. GMS declared he had initiated experiments with disinfectants in 1876, a year ahead of Robert Koch. GMS, "The Value of Carbolic Acid as a Germicide as Established by Experimental Data," *Med Rec* 22 (Sep 1882):315.
- 3. GMS to SGO, December 15, 1878, GMS Papers, NARA. At this time, GMS was probably using collodion emulsion wet plates in his photographic work. Producing photomicrographs was a laborious, time-intensive process that began with a sunny day. The microscopic slide was placed on the stage and brought into focus, then the heliostat adjusted to direct sunlight onto the slide. In a darkroom, clean glass plates were then coated with collodion, a solution of cellulose nitrate in alcohol-ether saturated iodine. After the collodion drained off leaving a thin film, the plate was dipped in a bath of silver nitrate to form silver iodide crystals, the light-sensitive agent that would produce the desired image. The plate was enclosed in a wooden photographic plate holder and taken to the photomicrographic equipment. Once in place, the plate holder was opened and the exposure made that normally required four to five minutes. After exposure, the plate holder was closed and taken to the darkroom once again where it could be developed and fixed. This time-consuming, exacting, and expensive process could be completely ruined by a number of uncontrollable events, such as a fast-moving cloud that blocked the sun or by the reverberations of a wagon passing by the house that put the object out of focus. Gelatin emulsion dry plates, which developed faster than the collodion type, were on the market, but were not produced and exported in large quantities by British firms until early in 1878. Gernsheim, "The Photographic Arts: Photography," 728.
- 4. Brock, Robert Koch, 58–60, 62–63, 68, 322; Woodward Obituary, 250.
- 5. Sternberg, *GMS*, 67, 68, 93; *M&SHCW*, v11, 410; GMS, "The Value of Carbolic Acid as a Germicide," 315; Brieger, "American Surgery and the Germ Theory of Disease," 139; Gariepy, "The Introduction and Acceptance of Listerian Antisepsis," 177–182; Wangensteen and Wangensteen, *Rise of Surgery*, 512–513. Sternberg may have had no more success with the technique in Idaho than German surgeons did during the Franco-Prussian War. Lister's original method was a relatively complex process meant to be applied in a hospital setting, and it required specific materials, equipment, and assistance to obtain desired results. For a discussion of the German success with Lister's method, see Schuppert, "Results of Lister's Antiseptic Treatment of Wounds in German Hospitals," 613–642.
- 6. GMS, "A Study of the Natural History of Yellow Fever and Some Remarks upon the Treatment Based upon the Same; with Cases and Tables of Observations upon the Temperature and Urine," NOM&S J 5 (Mar 1877):638–674.
- 7. Bruton, *NBH*, 64–67, 110; Humphreys, *Yellow Fever and the South*, 61, 62. For the complete history of the yellow fever epidemic of 1878, see Khaled J. Bloom, *The Mississippi Valley's Great Yellow Fever Epidemic of 1878* (Baton Rouge: Louisiana State University, 1993).

- 8. Duffy, *Sanitarians*, 95–98, 100, 102; Duffy, *History of Medicine in Louisiana*, v2, 460; Cavins, "National Quarantine and Sanitary Conventions," 404–426.
- 9. This strange collection of allies occurred because yellow fever was not as large a threat to the northern cities as it was to those in the south, and federal control would terminate a profitable system for revenue and graft that lined the pockets of northern state and local officials. Humphreys, Yellow Fever and the South, 63; Brown, Report on Quarantine, 90; Bruton, NBH, 51–53, 55–60.
- 10. Bruton, *NBH*, 115–116, 120–121; Woodworth, "A Brief Review of the Organization and Purpose of the Yellow Fever Commission," 167–168.
- 11. Bruton, *NBH*, 117; Barnes to Sec War, Nov 2, 1878 and Barnes to GMS, Nov 2, 1878, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 12. Woodworth found himself in trouble with the executive committee again the following morning when it became known the Yellow Fever Commission's report had been published in New York newspapers against assurances to the contrary. Abstract of Discussions and Minutes, 6th Meeting, APHA, *PHRP*, v4, 352, 354, 369–370; Ellis, *Yellow Fever*, 66–67; Bruton, *NBH*, 121–122. Gibson stated GMS was on a special committee on disinfectants, but the minutes of the meeting make no reference to such a committee. Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 112.
- 13. GMS, "Public Health Association and Yellow Fever," 45.
- 14. Ibid.
- 15. Ibid., 46.
- 16. Ibid.
- 17. Bruton, NBH, 135.
- 18. Bruton, NBH, 166, 169–170; Miles, History NBH, Chap 17, MS C237, v2, 110, NLM.
- Bruton, NBH, 169–170, 223, 224; Miles, History NBH, Chap 17, 112, 117, 118, 126– 128.
- Sec War to GMS, Apr 18, 1879, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; M. Sternberg, GMS, 69.
- 21. GMS, "Preliminary Rpt, Havana Yellow Fever Commission," 33.
- 22. Ibid., 33-34.
- 23. GMS received intensive training in the latest photomicrographic techniques from LTC Woodward, who also recommended all of the microscopic equipment used in Havana. GMS, "Preliminary Rpt, Havana Yellow Fever Commission," 34, 64–73; Gibson, Soldier in White, 114; Brock, Robert Koch, 31–37.
- 24. The auxiliary commission was presided over by Dr. Marcelina Astray de Canada and included Doctors Feline Rodriguez, Vincente L. Ferrer, Vincente B. Valdez, Joaquin Garcia Lebredo, Antonio Pardinas, Casimiro Rome, Raphael Fleitas, Carlos Finlay, Serafin Gallardo, Francisco Zayas, and Emilio N. de Villavicencia. GMS, "Preliminary Rpt, Havana Yellow Fever Commission," 34, 35; Bruton, *NBH*, 224; GMS to Billings, Jul 13, 1879, Billings Gen Correspondence, MS C26, MS Film 25, Reel 4, NLM.

- 25. Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 114. On July 24, the steamer *Niagara* delivered dogs, cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, chickens, pigeons, geese, and a monkey for the proposed experiments on lower animals. GMS exposed these animals to an infected brig, the *John Welch*, for two days, had the dogs sleep on blankets from the bed of a yellow fever patient, and injected the dogs with blood from yellow fever patients and culture media. All of these attempts to generate the disease were negative. GMS, "Preliminary Rpt, Havana Yellow Fever Commission" 64, 66–70.
- GMS to Billings, Jul 15 and Aug 29, 1879, Billings Gen Correspondence, MS C26, MS Film 25, Reel 4, NLM.
- 27. GMS to Billings, Jul 15, 1879, Billings Gen Correspondence, MS C26, MS Film 25, Reel 4, NLM.
- 28. GMS, "Preliminary Rpt, Havana Yellow Fever Commission" 66–70; GMS to Billings, Aug 19, 1879, Billings Gen Correspondence, MS C26, MS Film 25, Reel 4, NLM. Until Robert Koch perfected the solid culture media technique in 1881 obtaining pure cultures was difficult. Joseph Lister obtained the first pure liquid culture by using a limiting dilution technique. He published his results in 1878, and GMS very likely used this method in his experiments in Cuba. Joseph Schroeter (1872) successfully used potato, starch paste, bread, and meat to grow pure cultures. Brock, *Robert Koch*, 94–103; Bulloch, *History of Bacteriology*, 217–229.
- 29. GMS to Billings, Aug 29, 1879 and GMS to Billings, Sep 12, 1879, Billings Gen Correspondence, MS C26, MS Film 25, Reel 4, NLM.
- 30. Gibson, Soldier in White, 116.
- 31. Ibid., 11.
- 32. GMS, "Preliminary Rpt, Havana Yellow Fever Commission," 64.
- 33. Gibson, Soldier in White, 116.
- 34. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 72.
- 35. GMS, "Preliminary Rpt, Havana Yellow Fever Commission" 33–73; Miles, *History NBH*, 121.
- 36. Miles, History NBH, 124-125.
- 37. Miles, *History NBH*, 119; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 93. Sternberg published his results in late 1880; Koch published in April 1881. GMS, "Experiments Designed to Test the Value of Certain Gaseous and Volatile Disinfectants," 320.
- 38. GMS, "Experiments Designed to Test the Value of Certain Gaseous and Volatile Disinfectants," 318–320; Bulloch, *History of Bacteriology*, 235; Brock, *Robert Koch*, 106–107.
- GMS, "Microscopical Investigations of the Havana Yellow Fever Commission," 1019.
- 40. GMS, "Microscopical Investigations of the Havana Yellow Fever Commission," 1020–1023; NBH to GMS, Feb 4, 1880, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; GMS, "Report of Microscopical Examination of Suspended Particles," 387–395.

- 41. GMS lodged at 22 Rampart Street. Sternberg, *GMS*, 73; GMS, *Malaria and Malarial Diseases*, 69; NBH to GMS, Feb 4, 1880, GMS to SGO, Feb 7 and 29, 1880, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; GMS, "Experimental Investigations Relating to the Etiology of Malarial Fevers," 1–10; Miles, *History NBH*, 119.
- 42. GMS found a large number of organisms—predominantly pollen, starch granules, and crytogram spores—were constantly in the air of Havana and New Orleans, but fully developed bacteria were rarely found although their constant presence was proved by culture experiments. GMS, "Rpt, Microscopical Examination of Suspended Particles," 395.
- 43. GMS, "Rpt, Microscopical Examination of Suspended Particles," 387.
- 44. Dr. John Dell'Orto of New Orleans provided GMS with the translation. GMS, "Experimental Investigations Relating to the Etiology of Malarial Fevers," 65. Neither Mrs. Sternberg nor Gibson mentioned the nature of his malady. GMS's work history supports the notion he may have been suffering from fatigue brought on by too many hours in the laboratory and at his desk. Along with the two NBH studies, he was also translating Antoine Magnin's *The Bacteria* from the French, and had just completed and presented a paper to the Louisiana State Medical Society. Once recovered he did not immediately return to New Orleans, but obtained leave for what he called a summer vacation. GMS to SGO, May 31, Jun 30, and Aug 31, 1880, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 45. Bemiss, "Fever on the Lower Coast," 306; Bruton, NBH, 266–270, 279.
- 46. Ibid.
- 47. Carrigan, Saffron Scourge, 132; Gillson, Louisiana State Board of Health, 199–208; Ellis, Yellow Fever, 80–81; Humphreys, Yellow Fever and the South, 70–71.
- 48. GMS, "Report to Dr. Bemiss," 384.
- 49. GMS, "Report to Dr. Bemiss," 385.
- 50. Bemiss, "Fever on the Lower Coast," 307; Bruton, NBH, 280–281.
- 51. GMS, "Report to Dr. Bemiss," 386; Bruton, NBH, 280-281.
- 52. Bruns and Davidson, "The Rice Fever," 391, 392.
- 53. Bruns and Davidson, "The Rice Fever," 393, 394–395; GMS, "Letter to the Editor," 482–486
- 54. Bruns and Davidson, "The Rice Fever," 394–395.
- 55. GMS, "Minority Report," 382-398.
- 56. Gillson, Louisiana State Board of Health, 213. In late October, Dr. Hays published an attack on GMS's epidemiological assessment in the Picayune to validate his diagnosis of malaria and destroy GMS's yellow fever hypothesis. Hays' criticisms were poorly constructed and provided GMS with material to strengthen the findings of his recent investigations. He pointed out glaring diagnostic inconsistencies and, perhaps, outright falsehoods told to him by local physicians who wished to please Joseph Jones. GMS, "Letter to the Editor," 482–487 and "The Diagnosis of Yellow Fever," 601–602.

- 57. Gillson, Louisiana State Board of Health, 214.
- 58. GMS, "Experimental Investigations Relating to the Etiology of Malarial Fevers," 84.
- 59. Ibid., 5.
- 60. GMS, "Yellow Fever and Quarantine," 353.
- 61. Ibid., 354.
- 62. Ibid., 355.
- 63. Ibid., 356-357.
- 64. Book reviews, *Med Rec* 19 (12 Mar 1881), 298, and *Am Jour Med Sci* 81 (Apr 1881), 496–497. Antoine Magnin wrote *Les Bactéries* in a competition for a professorship. Flaumenhaft, "Evolution of America's Pioneer Bacteriologist," 456, n20.
- 65. Sanitary Congresses were held in Paris, 1851 and 1859, Constantinople, 1866, and Vienna, 1874. Although the Department of State had authorized U.S. delegates to act as plenipotentiaries for the government, foreign delegates did not feel so empowered nor did they care to extend such privileges to consuls in their home ports. The U.S. proposal was not passed. Howard-Jones, *Scientific Basis of the Sanitary Conferences*, 12, 17, 23, 35, 43, 45. GMS's 1879 blood photomicrographs inspired Finlay's theory. Finlay, "The Mosquito Hypothetically Considered as the Agent of Transmission of Yellow Fever," 590–591, 606–607.
- 66. Howard-Jones, Scientific Basis of the Sanitary Conferences, 45.
- 67. The Sternbergs moved to 134 W. Madison Street in the Mount Vernon area of Baltimore. GMS to SGO, Feb 28, 1881, Mar 31, 1881, and GMS to Turner, Jul 26, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA; GMS, "A fatal form of septicaemia in the rabbit," 781–783; Pasteur, "Sur une maladie nouvelle provoquee par la salive d'un enfant mort de rage," 159. Klebs probably visualized *S. pneumoniae* in lung tissue preparations as early as 1875, as did Koch and Eberth prior to its recovery and culture in the laboratory. Austrian, *Life with the Pneumococcus*, 183–189. Dr. H. Newell Martin (1848–1896) taught physiology and conducted physiological research at Johns Hopkins from 1879–1891. Fye, "H. Newell Martin A Remarkable Career destroyed by Neurasthenia and Alcoholism," 133–166; Gossel, "Institutional Growth and the Fate of Bacteriology at Johns Hopkins," 7; Chesney and Howell, *The Johns Hopkins Hospital and the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine*, v1, 77–78.
- 68. GMS, "A fatal form of septicaemia," 781–783; GMS, "Etiology of Croupous Pneumonia Parts 1 & 2," 309–312.
- 69. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 76, 77. C. J. Davaine (1872) injected putrid blood into rabbits and produced a disease he termed septicaemia. He found serial passage of blood from one rabbit to the next increased its virulence, and the lethal dose depended on species and animal size. Robert Koch (1878) published the *Aetiology of Traumatic Infective Diseases* in which he described six different diseases from the injection of putrid fluids. Others engaged in similar investigations include Edwin Klebs (1871), Vulpian (1872), Clementi and Thin (1873), U. Dreyer (1874), and Feltz (1874). Bulloch, *History of Bacteriology*, 142–148.
- 70. M. Sternberg, GMS, 78-79.

- 71. Ibid., 81.
- 72. Ibid., 82.
- 73. Ibid., 83, 84.
- 74. Interestingly enough, neither Pasteur nor Sternberg were the first to see, culture, or describe the organism. Klebs cultured it in 1875, but gave it no significance. Eberth described it in 1880, but thought it was a variety of pyemia producing micrococci. In the same year, Matray found the micrococcus in normal and pneumonic sputum samples and named it *Pneummoniekokken*. Not until Carl Friedlander and Charles Talamon (1883) and Albert Fraenkel (1886) linked the organism to the production of lobar pneumonia would these previous investigations be recognized as illuminating. White, *The Biology of Pneumococcus*, 237; Garrison, *History of Medicine*, 582.

Chapter Seven

Exiled to California

- 1. Sanderson received his M.D. at Edinburgh. He began research work on infectious diseases for the medical department of the Privy Council, and, at the time of his communication with Martin, was professor of physiology at Oxford. Bulloch, *History of Bacteriology*, 395. Some of the non-gaseous disinfectants tested were iodine, chromic acid, ferric and cupric sulfates, thymol, caustic soda, and nitric, sulfuric, and hydrochloric acids. GMS, "Experiments with Disinfectants," 210–211, "An Instructive Experiment," 139, "A Contribution to the Study of the Bacterial Organisms Commonly Found upon Exposed Mucous Surfaces and in the Alimentary Canal of Healthy Individuals," 157–181, "The Micrococcus of Gonorrhoeal Pus," 67–70, 96–99, 323–325, *Bacteria*, 293, 302–303, and "Bacillus Anthracis," 149.
- GMS, "A Contribution to the Study of the Bacterial Organisms Commonly Found upon Exposed Mucous Surfaces and in the Alimentary Canal of Healthy Individuals," 157–181; GMS, *Bacteria*, 175.
- 3. GMS, Bacteria, 175; GMS, Manual of Bacteriology, 245, 246.
- 4. This phenomenon was first proposed by John Muellendorf in his doctoral dissertation presented in Dresden in 1879. Cohn, Klebs, Koch, Weigert, Baumgarten, Sternberg, and presumably others were familiar with it, but none of them pursued it experimentally. In the autumn of 1883, Elie Metchnikoff, a Russian zoologist, put forth the theory of phagocytosis—the basis for understanding of cellular immunity—and his studies were published the following year. Bulloch, *History of Bacteriology*, 259; Bibel, "Sternberg, Metchnikoff, and the Phagocytes," 550–553; GMS, "The Metchnikoff Theory," 1, 1779–1780; Metchnikoff, *Life of Elie Metchnikoff*, 115, 19–122; Tauber and Chernyak, *Metchnikoff and the Origins of Immunology*, 106–107, 164–165.
- 5. GMS, "Experiments to Determine the Germicide Value of Certain Therapeutic Agents," 323, and *Manual of Bacteriology*, 63–65.

- Miles, NBH, Chap 17, MS C237, v2, 40–43; Dunnington, "A Sketch of Dr. John William Mallet," 187; GMS to Turner, Jul 19 and 26, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- GMS to Turner, Jul 19, 1881, GMS to Turner, Jul 26, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 8. Cabell to GMS, Jul 17, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 9. GMS to Adj Gen, Jul 17, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 10. Cabell to GMS and GMS to Cabell, Jul 19, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 11. GMS to Cabell, Jul 19, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 12. GMS to Turner, Jul 26, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 13. GMS to Crane, Jul 26, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 14. GMS to Crane, Jul 31, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 15. Crane to GMS, Aug 2, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 16. AGO to Barnes, Aug 6, 1881, SO#182, AGO, Aug 10, 1881, and SO#148, HQ, Div of the Pacific & Dept of California, Sep 1, 1881, Box 2, Folder 9, MS C100, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861-1917, NLM. Fort Mason was known as Fort Point San Jose when GMS arrived. For the purposes of clarity, Fort Mason will be used to designate this post.
- 17. Mrs. Sternberg preferred not to mention it, presumably from the embarrassment it caused, and likely too because it cast her husband in less than a heroic light. Gibson did not allude to it either, and Wyndham Miles, who reviewed NBH records in the National Archives at length, only stated that he could find no reason for Sternberg's abrupt departure. GMS to Crane and GMS to Turner, Jul 26, 1881, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA.
- 18. M. Sternberg, GMS, 87.
- Crane to GMS, Aug 10, 1881, Box 1, Folder 17, MS C100, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, NLM.
- 20. M. Sternberg, GMS, 87.
- 21. GMS asked for a Keith's heliostat, Woodward's governor, actinic condensing lens, blue cell and holder with six diaphragms, diaphragm footplate, and a storage box for photomicrographic work totaling \$115.25. Woodward to GMS, Nov 2, 1881, Woodward Correspondence, Curatorial Record Book, Otis Archives, NMM. Woodward was never convinced bacteria were linked to disease causation, and he mockingly called those who did "bacteriafanatics"; however, he and GMS shared a passion for photomicrography that appears to have transcended Woodward's disregard for bacteriologists. Henry, *AFIP*, 66, 67; *M&SHWR*, Part 2, v1, 370, 374, 595. See also Mary C. Gillett, "A Tale of Two Surgeons."
- 22. GMS presented "Bacteria and the Germ Theory of Disease" to the State Medical Society of California, described research with the micrococcus to the local San Francisco Medical Society, and the continued professional response to his work on septicemia in rabbits generated editorials and another paper. Other scientists, such as

William Henry Welch at the Bellevue Medical School, and later at Johns Hopkins, and T. Mitchell Prudden at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York, would establish laboratories that pursued similar investigations before the close of the decade. SO#9, Jan 16, 1882, SO#140, Aug 11, 1882, SO#29, Mar 28, 1883, HQ, Div of the Pacific, Jan 16, 1882, GMS to SGO, Jan 31, 1882, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; GMS, "Bacteria and the Germ Theory of Disease," 193–198; *Photomicrographs and How to Make Them*, 20–21, 92–96; "Poisonous Effects of Saliva," 53; "Virulence of Human Saliva," 332–334; "Induced Septicemia in the Rabbit," 69–76; and "Is Tuberculosis a Parasitic Disease?," *Med News* 41 (Jul 1, 1882), 6; Sternberg, GMS, 73, 94; Lightman, *Victorian Science in Context*, 391–393; Read and Mathes, *History of the San Francisco Medical Society*, v1, 81.

- 23. Mettler, History of Medicine, 645-646.
- 24. GMS, "The Micrococcus of Gonorrhoeal Pus," 67–70. Joseph Oakland Hirschfelder (1854–1920) initiated his medical studies at the Medical College of the Pacific in 1870. In 1872, he began a five-year medical sojourn in Germany. He completed his degree and was the first foreigner to sit for the German state examinations that he passed with honors. "Obituary, Dr. J. O. Hirschfelder," 137–138.
- 25. GMS, "The Micrococcus of Gonorrhoeal Pus," 69.
- 26. Jonsen, Short History of Medical Ethics, 89.
- 27. GMS, "The Micrococcus of Gonorrhoeal Pus," and "Further Experiments with the Micrococcus of Gonorrheal Pus 'Gonococcus' of Neisser," 426–429.
- 28. His comments should not be considered an excuse for experimental failure. While GMS was a superb laboratory technician, he was also feeling his way in the dark abyss of a new field of science searching for facts that would illuminate his path. Since he did not find the gonococcus using a simple lab procedure and failed to produce the disease in volunteer subjects, his original diagnosis of the soldier at Ft Mason may have been wrong. Non-gonococcal urethritis (NGU), what was then known as non-specific urethritis, is extremely common today, but was considered a rare event by GMS. A more scientifically plausible explanation is that he was indeed working with the highly infectious gonococcus, but his culturing or inoculation techniques, and perhaps both, probably stymied his efforts. To obtain a pure culture for inoculation, he passed the organism through a series of cultures that reduced the virulence of the organism. Furthermore, his inoculation technique—inserting a cotton swab soaked with infected culture fluid into the distal urethra and allowing it to remain for one to two hours—may not have penetrated deep enough to reach the non-cornified epithelial cell layer of the urethra vulnerable to gonococcal invasion. Lastly, if his volunteers urinated within the first four to six hours after inoculation, they very possibly flushed out the inoculum. The two most common causes of NGU, Chlamydia trachomatis and Ureaplasma urealyticum, can cause urethral discharge and painful urination in males just as gonorrhea does, but GMS would never have seen either of these small intracellular organisms with the microscopes and staining techniques of his day. Hook and Handsfield, "Gonococcal Infections in the Adult," 149, 152-153, 157; Evans and Brachman, Bacterial Infections of Humans, 2d, 265.
- 29. Koch, "Etiology of Tuberculosis," 109-114.

- 30. Abstracts of Koch's work were published in the Medical News and American Journal of the Medical Sciences. Dr. Watson Cheyne of King's College Hospital attempted Koch's experiments without result for nearly a year. Koch, "Etiology of Tuberculosis," 109-114; Ehrlich, "A Method for Staining the Tubercle Bacillus," 118-120. Sternberg quoted a number of researchers - Toussaint, Schottelius, Brunet, and Burden-Sanderson among them - who had found tubercular nodules originated from non-infectious sources. GMS, "Is Tuberculosis a Parasitic Disease?," Med News 41 (Jul 1, 1882):6-7, (Jul 22, 1882):87-89, (Sep 16, 1882):311-314, (Nov 18, 1882):564-566, and (Dec 30, 1882):730-731; GMS, Bacteria, 391; Landis, "Reception of Koch's Discovery," 531-537; Dormandy, The White Death, 135, 136. Sternberg lamented that Koch had superb financial support for his work from a liberal government, whereas he had to keep his culture chamber continually operating with an alcohol lamp, an expensive and unreliable alternative to gas, but all that was available at Fort Mason. GMS, "Is Tuberculosis a Parasitic Disease?," (Nov 18, 1882):566; "Injection of Finely Powdered Inorganic Material into the Abdominal Cavity of Rabbits," 17–30; and "The Value of Carbolic Acid as a Germicide," 314–317.
- 31. Mercuric bichloride (corrosive sublimate) and iodine were excellent germicides in current therapeutic concentrations. Carbolic and sulfuric acids and ferrous chloride, however, failed as germicides in doses then used, but were potent antiseptics. GMS, "Experiments to Determine the Germicidal Value of Certain Therapeutic Agents," 321–343.
- 32. GMS, "Malaria," 31-54; GMS, Malaria and Malarial Diseases, iii.
- 33. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 87. GMS, *Bacteria*, 2 ed., v. He was granted 10 days leave in early June, presumably to escape the responsibilities of the office, as the orders do not give him permission to leave the department nor was it sufficient time to travel to Kansas or Washington, DC. SO#63, Jun 8, 1883, SO#134, Oct 4, 1883, and GMS to SGO, Oct 6, 1883, HQ Dept of California, PPPMO Box 551, NARA.
- 34. Henry, *AFIP*, 73, 77, 79; Lamb, "The Army Medical Museum," 89–140; Ashburn, *History of the Medical Department*, 137; Otis obituary release from SGO, 990–991; Billings to GMS, Jan 15, 1884, Box 1, Folder 15, MS C100 George M. Sternberg Papers, NLM.
- 35. GMS to SGO, Nov 27, 1883, PPPMO Box 551, NARA, also in Sternberg, *GMS*, 87–89. Billings was commissioned in the army on Jul 16, 1862. Oblensky, "John Shaw Billings," 286–291.
- 36. Billings to GMS, Jan 15, 1884, Box 1, Folder 15, MS C100 George M. Sternberg Papers, NLM.
- 37. M. Sternberg, GMS, 89.
- 38. William H. Welch did not find the bacillus in his laboratory at the Bellevue Medical College until the fall of 1882; Dr. William T. Belfield, of Chicago, demonstrated it in October 1882 to the Chicago Pathological Society; T. Mitchell Prudden found it in his laboratory at the College of Physicians and Surgeons of New York in April 1883; and Edward L. Trudeau did not see the organism by his own hand, in T. Mitchell Prudden's laboratory, until at least the summer of 1883. Although Gibson gives Dr. Edward L. Trudeau his due for demonstrating the organism in T. Mitchell Prudden's laboratory, Trudeau did not have an English translation of Koch's paper

until Christmas 1882 at the earliest and did not begin work with Prudden and Dr. Hodenpyl until the summer of 1883. Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 125–127; Article IX. Chicago Pathological Society, 518; Trudeau, *An Autobiography*, 174–179; Landis, "Reception of Koch's Discovery," 533. McFarland mentions English language bacteriology manuals in his 1937 article – Klein's *Microorganisms and Disease* (1884), Crookshank's *Introduction to Bacteriology* (1886), Satterthwait's *Introduction to Practical Bacteriology* (1887), and Senn's *Surgical Bacteriology* (1889) – but does not mention either of Sternberg's translations. McFarland, "Beginning of Bacteriology in Philadelphia," 149–200.

Chapter Eight

Dean of American Bacteriology

- 1. M. Sternberg, GMS, 89, 91.
- SO#45, Apr 16, 1884, SO#103, May 3, 1884, SO#131, Jun 6, 1884, GMS to SGO, 30
 Apr, 1884, SGO to GMS, 12 May 1884, and GMS to SGO 8 Jun 1884, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; Gossel, "Institutional Growth" 7; M. Sternberg, GMS, 91.
- 3. While Martha's interest in bacteriology emanated from a desire to remain connected in a meaningful way to her husband's professional interests, she also developed into a respectable laboratory technician. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 91.
- 4. Sternberg, *GMS*, 111; Gossel, "Institutional Growth," 2; Warner, "The Fall and Rise of Professional Mystery," 131.
- 5. Duffy, The Healers, 229, 262; Flexner, William Henry Welch and the Heroic Age of American Medicine, 128, 129, 134, 137, 140; Chesney and Howell, Johns Hopkins Hospital, v1, 74–76, 83.
- SGO to GMS, 2 Oct 1884, GMS to SGO, 19 Oct 1884, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; GMS, "Disease Germs," 452 and "Injection of Finely Powdered Inorganic Material," 17–30.
- 7. GMS, "Disease Germs," 453.
- 8. Ibid.
- 9. Coleman, "Koch's Comma Bacillus," 315–342. Koch led the German Cholera Commission in an eight-week investigation of a current disease outbreak and reported his isolation of the cholera organism from the rice water discharges of cholera patients in Calcutta on February 2, 1883. Brock, *Robert Koch*, 155, 159–162.
- 10. The Committee on Disinfectants consisted of Sternberg, Dr. Joseph H. Raymond, Professor of Physiology and Sanitary Science, Long Island College Hospital and Health Commissoner, City of Brooklyn, Dr. Victor C. Vaughn, Professor of Physiological Chemistry, University of Michigan, Major Charles Smart, NBH, Dr. W. H. Watkins, Medical Director of the Auxiliary Sanitary Association of New Orleans, Dr. Albert R. Leeds, Professor of Chemistry at Stevens Institute of Technology and Member of the New Jersey Board of Health, and Dr. George H. Rohe, Professor of

Hygiene, College of Physicians and Surgeons, Baltimore. GMS, et al., *Report of the Committee on Disinfectants*, 1885; Brock, *Robert Koch*, 167; Snowden, *Naples in the Time of Cholera*, 62, 64–67, 105; GMS, "The International Sanitary Conference at Rome," 101–103.

- 11. GMS, et al., Report of the Committee on Disinfectants, 1885, xi.
- 12. Ibid., xii.
- 13. Ibid., vi-ix.
- 14. GMS, "Commercial Disinfectants," 144–147 and "The Destruction of Cholera Germs," 333.
- Medicinal doses of mercuric chloride were 1:50,000 or 0.015 of a grain. GMS, "Commercial Disinfectants," 144–147 and "The Destruction of Cholera Germs," 334–335.
- Manuscript Commissions for State Department Employees, 1 May 1848–30 Jun 1941, Gen Records, Dept of State, v2, E775, RG59, NARA; SGO to GMS, 24 and 25 Apr 1885, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; GMS, "The Pneumonia-Coccus of Friedlander," 109.
- 17. Countries represented at the conference included: the United States, Mexico, Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Peru, Uruguay, Guatemala, Great Britain, France, Belgium, The Netherlands, Germany, Spain, Portugal, Holland, Denmark, Norway/Sweden, Switzerland, Italy, Austria-Hungary, Romania, Serbia, Russia, India, China, and Japan. Howard-Jones, *Scientific Basis*, 52–56; Coleman, "Koch's Comma Bacillus," 326–327; Ogawa, "Uneasy Bedfellows," n 106, 701; Moleschott and Erhardt, "Abstract of the Conclusions Adopted and Propositions Rejected by the Technical Commission," 279–303; Brock, *Robert Koch*, 159–162, 167.
- 18. Howard-Jones, *Scientific Background*, 56; Moleschott and Erhardt, "Abstract of the Conclusions Adopted and Propositions Rejected by the Technical Commission," 279–303; Hardy, "Cholera, Quarantine, and the English Preventive System," 250–269; GMS, "International Sanitary Conference," 101, 102, 103 and "Disinfection at Quarantine Stations," 57–62.
- 19. GMS, "International Sanitary Conference," 101.
- 20. Ibid.
- 21. GMS, "The Malarial Germ of Laveran," 299; Gibson, Soldier in White, 139.
- 22. M. Sternberg, GMS, 91–92; Gibson, Soldier in White, 140. Upon returning from Rome, Sternberg was also notified that his essay, "Disinfection and Individual Prophylaxis Against Infectious Diseases" had won the Lomb prize at the annual APHA meeting for its content and his extended research on the practical value of disinfectants. GMS, "Disinfection and Individual Prophylaxis," 101–136; Sternberg, GMS, 93.
- 23. de Fousta to Bayard, 29 Jul 1885, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA. The summer of 1885, although busy for Sternberg, was not without its family pleasures. His parents visited friends in Morristown, New Jersey, and he and Martha made time to see them. It was a bittersweet reunion for Sternberg. He had not seen his parents

- in some time, and in the interim his mother had apparently suffered a mild stroke leaving her, according to Levi, "with a partial paralysis which prevented the free use of her limbs." Sternberg, *Story of My Life*, 28.
- 24. GMS may have discussed a visit with Koch during their time in Rome. However, neither Mrs. Sternberg nor Gibson discussed this trip and, with the exception of three fleeting references, two in Sternberg's papers and one in his Manual of Bacteriology, it remains almost completely enigmatic. GMS to SGO, 31 Oct 1885, PPPMO, Box 551, RG94, NARA; GMS, Manual of Bacteriology, 293, "Pneumonia-Coccus of Friedlander," 106–123, and Report upon the Prevention of Yellow Fever by Inoculation, 170.
- 25. Austrian, *Life with the Pneumococcus*, 6–7; White, *Biology of Pneumococcus*, 5–7.
- 26. GMS, "Pneumonia-Coccus of Friedlander," 122.
- 27. Ibid., 113.
- 28. White, *Biology of Pneumococcus*, 5–7, 9; GMS, "Micrococcus Pasteuri," 123–131.
- 29. Reminiscences, v2, Part 15, 185, Box 19, Kober Papers, NLM; Sternberg, GMS, 92, 93.
- 30. Sternberg, GMS, 93.
- 31. GMS, "Micrococcus Pasteuri," 123, "Etiology of Croupous Pneumonia Parts 1 & 2," 281–285, 309–312, and *Manual of Bacteriology*, 291–294.
- 32. GMS, "Micrococcus Pasteuri," 123.
- 33. GMS, "Etiology of Croupous Pneumonia Parts 1 & 2," 281-285, 309-312.
- 34. GMS, "Pneumonia-Coccus of Friedlander," 113, and *Manual of Bacteriology*, 40–41; White, *Biology of Pneumococcus*, 5–7, 33, 36–37; Joklik et al., eds., Zinsser's *Microbiology*, 20th ed., 433, 434, 435; Austrian, "The Enduring Pneumococcus," 3.
- 35. Austrian, Life with the Pneumococcus, 8; Brock, Milestones in Microbiology, 215–217; White, Biology of Pneumococcus, 6, 11, 12, 13.
- 36. Austrian, *Life with the Pneumococcus*, 6–13; Brock, *Milestones in Microbiology*, 215–217; White, *Biology of Pneumococcus*, 6, 11, 12, 13.
- 37. GMS, "Micrococcus Pasteuri," 123-131 and Manual of Bacteriology, 291, 293.
- 38. GMS, Manual of Bacteriology, 294.
- 39. Ibid.
- 40. GMS, "The Etiology of Croupous Pneumonia Parts 1 & 2," 311–312.
- 41. GMS to SGO, 27 Dec 1885, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA. Abbott studied bacteria in drinking water, William D. Booker studied bacterial flora in stools of children with summer diarrhea, and Christian A. Herter experimentally produced inflammation of the spinal cord. Flexner, *William Henry Welch*, 151–152, 153; Gossel, "Institutional Growth," 7, 9; Chesney and Howell, *Johns Hopkins Hospital*, v1, 91–92; GMS, "The Bacillus of Typhoid Fever," 197–202 and "Thermal Death-Point of Pathogenic Organisms," 146–160; Cushing, *Life of Sir William Osler*, v1, 269–271, 270.

- 42. Dennis had requested \$50,000 from Andrew Carnegie to build a pathological laboratory in New York City to induce Welch to stay at Bellevue. Although Gilman trumped Dennis's offer, the Carnegie Laboratory was built. Prudden, *Biographical Sketches and Letters of T. Mitchell Prudden*, 50, 54; Flexner, *William Henry Welch*, 131; Winslow, *Life of Hermann Biggs*, 64–65; Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 13, 17–18.
- 43. Hoagland may also have been familiar with Sternberg through his book on photomicrography. Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 3, 4, 5–8, 17–18, 23–25.
- 44. Eggerth, The History of the Hoagland Laboratory, 29, 30-31.
- 45. Ashburn, History Army Medical Department, 139, 140.
- 46. Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 31; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 127; Edson, *Brooklyn First*, 71.
- 47. Eggerth, The History of the Hoagland Laboratory, 34-35.

Chapter Nine

Yellow Fever Investigations

- 1. "Notes and News," 535; Warner, "Hunting the Yellow Fever Germ," 361–382; GMS, *Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 141, 155–157; "Freire's Yellow Fever Microbe," 547–551; "Carmona's Yellow Fever Inoculation," 626.
- 2. Holt, "The Yellow Fever Commission," 623–625; "The Yellow Fever Commission," *NOM&SJ* 13 (Feb 1886), 629–632; "The Yellow Fever Commission," *NOM&SJ* 13 (Mar 1886), 722–728; "The Yellow Fever Commission," *NOM&SJ* 13 (Jun 1886), 964–972 and 990–994; "The President's Power in the Prevention of Epidemics, and the Yellow Fever Commission," 140–142; "Yellow Fever Inoculations," 623–624.
- 3. Holt to Bayard, 28 Feb 1887, Davis to GMS, 7 Mar 1887, Moore to Cleveland, 15 Apr 1887, GMS to SGO, 3 May and 30 May 1887, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA.
- 4. GMS, *Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 142, 146–147, 158–159, 184–185; Sternberg, *GMS*, 100.
- As Sternberg spoke no Portugese, he was assisted in his study of Freire's earlier results and visits to the inoculated population by Dr. R. Cleary and a Mr. Slaughter, both American ex-patriates who read and spoke Portugese. GMS, *Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 142–143, 159, 164.
- 6. GMS, Prevention of Yellow Fever, 157, 159.
- 7. Ibid., 159.
- 8. Ibid., 168-169.
- 9. Ibid., 178–182, 181.
- 10. Ibid., 181–183.

- 11. Ibid., 190.
- 12. Ibid., 194-213.
- 13. During the latter part of their stay in Rio, smallpox broke out in the city, and Sternberg had been exposed to the disease through his work in a number of hospitals. Mrs. Sternberg therefore was vaccinated with an English-made smallpox vaccine. A few days out from port, Mrs. Sternberg awoke with a severe chill and generalized body aches. Over the next 24 hours, she developed a high fever, and the vaccination site became extremely red and painful. Sternberg, disturbed by this unexpected reaction, commented, "That English virus must have been contaminated. There must have been a germ in it that has taken a long time to incubate in your system. The time for the virus of smallpox to take effect has long since expired.... This germ that you have developed must be from another family, it has been so long in developing." Sternberg was correct. The incubation period did not fit smallpox, and vaccine quills at that time were notorious for inducing infections from bacterial contamination. Fortunately, she recovered without complications. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 102, 104–106.
- 14. M. Sternberg, GMS, 105.
- 15. Ibid., 105.
- 16. Ibid., 105, 106.
- 17. Mrs. Sternberg stayed home because she was tired of the excitement and tedium of traveling. Sternberg, *GMS*, 106.
- 18. GMS, "President's Address," 1-21, 9.
- 19. GMS, Prevention of Yellow Fever, 149.
- 20. GMS, Prevention of Yellow Fever, 149, 150, 213-217.
- 21. It was not known how many soldiers exposed to the epidemic in May were already immune to the disease. After exposure to the disease, these soldiers were inoculated, but another attack of yellow fever generated 28 cases and 19 deaths, a casefatality rate of 68 percent. GMS, *Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 218–219; GMS, "Investigations Relating to the Etiology and Prophylaxis of Yellow Fever," 339–365, 364.
- 22. GMS, Prevention of Yellow Fever, 166-168.
- 23. GMS to SGO, 3 Dec 87, GMS to SGO, 24 Oct 87, GMS to SGO, 12 Dec 87, and GMS to SGO, Sep 27, 1886, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA; GMS, "President's Address," 1–21.
- 24. Eggerth, The History of the Hoagland Laboratory, 34.
- 25. This appears to be the last time he gave it serious consideration until very late in 1887 or early 1888 even though he was aware that others, such as Dr. Edmund A. Parkes, a British military hygienist, considered fecal-oral transmission of the disease to be a genuine possibility. Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 148; GMS, "Hunting Yellow Fever Germs," 253–256, 255; F. Chaumont, ed., *Parkes' Hygiene*, 59, 131; GMS, *Report on the Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 31.
- 26. GMS, "An Inquiry into the Modus Operandi of the Yellow Fever Poison," 10, and Report on the Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 7, 31, 167–168.

- 27. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 114, 167, 181.
- 28. Gibson, Soldier in White, 149; GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 181.
- 29. Gibson, Soldier in White, 149.
- 30. Gibson, Soldier in White, 149; GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 168.
- 31. Gibson, Soldier in White, 149, 150.
- 32. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 182.
- 33. GMS, "Preliminary Note upon a New Method of Treating Yellow Fever," 524–526, and *Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 78–87, 90, 91, 92, 95.
- 34. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 91.
- 35. Ibid., 91.
- 36. Ibid., 85.
- 37. Kemp was given a salary of \$1,000 per year and the privilege of taking his medical degree at the Long Island College free of charge. Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 36.
- 38. Eggerth, The History of the Hoagland Laboratory, 37.
- 39. New Orleans had had cases in all but three of the years from 1880 to 1887, but only nine deaths. Outbreaks had occurred at Matamoros and Brownsville, Texas, in 1882 and 1883, in Biloxi, Mississippi in 1886, and Key West in 1887; however, these visitations remained small and were locally contained. Dr. Joseph Holt's firm yet tactful diplomacy, understanding of state and national politics, and his system of maritime sanitation were crucial to the success of southern public health. Ellis, *Yellow Fever*, 121; Humphreys, *Yellow Fever and the South*, 113–118.
- 40. SO#203, Sep 1, 1888, SO#224, Sep 26, 1888, and GMS to SGO, Sep 29, 1888, PPP-MO, Box 551, NARA; GMS, *Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 7, 12, 87–88, 98, 116, 117, 209–210.
- 41. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 98, 116, 117, 209–210.
- 42. Sternberg's formula provided a patient with 285 milligrams of sodium bicarbonate, 1 milligram of inorganic mercury, and 53 milliliters of water per hour. If the nursing care was good, the patient probably received 12 to 15 doses per day, giving a moderate hourly dose of bicarbonate that probably provided some relief from stomach upset and allowed fluids to be retained; but it would not have had an appreciable effect on neutralizing acidic urine nor would it increase urine flow. Reduced urine production in yellow fever patients is due to virus-induced damage (acute tubular necrosis) of the kidney-filtering tubules in severe cases and dehydration secondary to vomiting and prolonged fever. As intravenous fluid replacement was unknown, fluid losses could only be corrected orally. The small amount of water in GMS's treatment, even when combined with other liquids not immediately regurgitated, would not by itself be sufficient to meet the dehydrated patient's fluid requirements and provide a diuretic effect. The amount of inorganic mercury he included as an antiseptic was also too small to cause an immediate toxic effect. However, mercury is extremely toxic to the filtering tubules of the kidney and is not rapidly cleared by them. At the end of 7 days of treatment—the average time in which a patient would

- be on the road to recovery—a patient would have accumulated about 84 to 105 milligrams of mercury in the kidneys, enough to produce toxic side effects in some individuals. GMS, *Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 88–90, "Bicarbonate of Sodium and Bichloride of Mercury in the Treatment of Yellow Fever," 298–304, and "Additional Note on the Treatment of Yellow Fever," 388–389; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 157.
- 43. GMS to SGO, Nov 4, 1888, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA; GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 140; Eggerth, The History of the Hoagland Laboratory, 46; BDE, "Dr. George M. Sternberg's Lecture to his Professional Brethren," Nov 18, 1888.
- 44. Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 41–43; *BDE*, "A Brilliant Crowd of Citizens Gather at the Opening of the Institution," Dec 16, 1888.
- 45. Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 54; GMS, *Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 8, 9, 12, 13, and "Hunting Yellow Fever Germs," 253–256; GMS to SGO, Feb 11 and 28, Mar 3 and 16, and Aug 31, 1889, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA.
- 46. Finlay, "The Mosquito Hypothetically Considered," 605.
- 47. Ibid., 607.
- 48. Culex cubensis was renamed Stegomyia fasciata and is known today as Aedes aegypti. Finlay, "Yellow Fever: Its Transmission by Means of the Culex Mosquito," 395–406, and "Inoculations for Yellow Fever by Means of Contaminated Mosquitoes," 264–268.
- 49. Finlay, "The Mosquito Hypothetically Considered," 591.
- 50. Ibid., 608-610.
- 51. Manson, "On the Development of the Filaria Sanguinis Hominis and on the Mosquito Considered as a Nurse," *Transactions Linnean Society* 14 (Aug 31, 1878):304–311. For a modern account of Manson's work, see Douglas M. Haynes, *Imperial Medicine: Patrick Manson and the Conquest of Tropical Disease* (Philadelphia: Univ. of Pennsylvania Press, 2001).
- 52. GMS, *Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever*, 164–165, and "Dr. Finlay's Mosquito Inoculations," 627–628.
- 53. GMS, "Dr. Finlay's Mosquito Inoculations," 627–628; Finlay, "Transmission of Yellow Fever by the Culex Mosquito," 183.
- 54. GMS to Mall, Apr 6 and 15, 1889, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA.
- 55. Eggerth, The History of the Hoagland Laboratory, 55.
- 56. Billings, "Recent Work at the Pathobiological Laboratory State University," 329.
- 57. GMS to Mall, Apr 11, 1889 and GMS to Mall, 15, 1889, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA.
- 58. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 175-178.
- 59. Gibson, Soldier in White, 154.
- 60. Ibid.
- 61. Gibson, Soldier in White, 155; GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 98, 121–131.

- 62. Gibson, Soldier in White, 155.
- 63. Ibid., 156.
- 64. Ibid.
- 65. Ibid., 157.
- 66. Ibid.
- 67. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 187–188; GMS to SGO, Aug 31, 1889, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA. GMS sustained a rather tardy and severe personal attack from Dr. Freire in response to a summary article of the Brazilian investigations that GMS had published in the Medical News in April 1888. Freire accused him of incompetence, myopia, and improper conduct during the 1887 investigations. Although GMS felt a response to "the violent attack which he has made upon me in detail would be a waste of time...", he devoted a postscriptum of seven pages in his final report to the subject and in May 1890 prepared two articles, one of which he read at the annual meeting of the AMA, on the obvious statistical failures of the Brazilian physician. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 221.
- 68. GMS, "Investigations Relating to the Etiology and Prophylaxis of Yellow Fever," 449–456, "Dr. Freire's Protective Inoculation," 524–526, "Facts Versus Figures," 142–144, and Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 13.
- 69. GMS, Etiology and Prevention of Yellow Fever, 28.
- 70. Ibid., 13.

Chapter Ten

Immunology and Cholera in New York City

- Margaret Sternberg's debilitating and wasting illness probably resulted from her earlier stroke or strokes. Levi to GMS, Dec 7, 1888, Box 2, Folder 2, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM.
- 2. L. Sternberg, Story of My Life, 29.
- 3. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 122, 124; SGO to GMS, Jun 11, 1890 and GMS to SGO, Jul 31, 1890, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA.
- 4. Greenleaf to SGO, Jun 24, 1890, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA; M. Sternberg, GMS, 66.
- 5. Schofield to Sec War, Aug 12, 1890, Daniel S. Lamont Papers, LOC.
- 6. Ashburn, History Army Medical Department, 143; M. Sternberg, GMS, 125.
- 7. SO#232, Oct 3, 1890 and GMS to SGO, Oct 7, 1890, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 125.
- 8. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 125.
- 9. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 125; GMS to SGO, Oct 15 and 31, 1890, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA; Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 67.

- Reasoner, "The Development of the Medical Supply Service," 2; Smith, Medicines for the Union Army, 7; ARSG 1891, 89.
- 11. Finlay, "Inoculations for Yellow Fever by Means of Contaminated Mosquitoes," 264–268; GMS, "Dr. Finlay's Mosquito Inoculations," 629.
- 12. GMS, "Dr. Finlay's Mosquito Inoculations," 630.
- 13. M. Sternberg, GMS, 297.
- 14. Ibid., 126.
- 15. M. Sternberg, GMS, 126; Fishbein, A History of the American Medical Association, 676.
- 16. Gibson, Soldier in White, 160; Schofield to GMS, Dec 31, 1890, Box 2, Folder 2, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM.
- 17. Schofield, *Forty-Six Years in the Army*, 183; GMS to Schofield, Jul 3, 1891, Series IV, Container 33, #237, John M. Schofield Papers, LOC.
- 18. GMS to Schofield, Aug 17, 1891, Series IV, Container 34, #305, John M. Schofield Papers, LOC.
- 19. SO#27, Feb 2, 1892 and SO#34, Mar 17, 1892, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA. In New York the Sternbergs lived first in a large house near the Windsor Hotel. Although the residence was spacious, Sternberg had a long and disagreeable early morning commute on the elevated streetcar to the south end of Broadway where the Army Building stood at 39 Whitehall Street. He soon tired of jostling in the crowded, poorly ventilated cars twice daily. They relocated to the Saint George Hotel in Brooklyn closer to his office, the Hoagland Laboratory, and a number of friends as well. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 127; Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 71; GMS, "Practical Results of Bacteriological Researches," 1–15.
- 20. Plotkin and Orenstein, *Vaccines*, 3rd, 1–3; Jenner, *An Inquiry into the Causes and Effects of the Variolae Vacciniae*. See also Ola Winslow, *A Destroying Angel*, Boston: Houghton Mifflin, 1974, and Elizabeth Fenn, *Pox Americana*, New York: Hill & Wang, 2001.
- 21. Baumgarten suggested the creation of an osmotically unfavorable environment in which bacterial cell walls ruptured, and von Behring suggested that an increasing alkalinity precluded further microbial growth. Silverstein, *History of Immunology*, 16–21; GMS, "Infectious Diseases, Causation and Immunity," 625–627 and "What Is the Explanation of the Protection from Subsequent Attacks, Resulting from an Attack of Certain Diseases, and of the Protective Influence of Vaccination against Smallpox?," 373–374.
- 22. GMS, "What Is the Explanation of the Protection from Subsequent Attacks, Resulting from an Attack of Certain Diseases, and of the Protective Influence of Vaccination against Smallpox?," 376.
- 23. Ibid.
- 24. Silverstein, History of Immunology, 16-21.

- 25. GMS, "Practical Results of Bacteriological Researches," 1–15, "Infectious Diseases, Causation and Immunity," 616–635, and "Protective Inoculations in Infectious Diseases," 273–291, 273.
- 26. Bulloch, History of Bacteriology, 256–258; Silverstein, History of Immunology, 47; Behring and Kitasato, "The Mechanism of Immunity in Animals to Diphtheria and Tetanus," 138–140 and "Studies on the Mechanism of Immunity to Diphtheria in Animals," 141–144.
- 27. GMS, "Practical Results of Bacteriological Researches," 73, and "Infectious Diseases, Causation and Immunity," 616–635.
- 28. GMS, "Practical Results of Bacteriological Researches," 80-81.
- 29. Ibid., 81-82.
- 30. Ibid., 82.
- 31. Ibid., 84.
- 32. Ibid.
- 33. Ibid., 85.
- 34. Ibid.
- 35. Ibid., 86.
- 36. Ibid.
- 37. Ibid., 84.
- 38. Evans, Death in Hamburg, 279-284; Markel, Quarantine!,16-19.
- 39. Evans, Death in Hamburg, 286-290.
- Duffy, Public Health in New York City, 85, 86, 92, 93; NYT, "Three More Doctors Out," Jul 6, 1892; Fee and Hammonds, "Science, Politics, and the Art of Persuasion," 158, 159.
- 41. Rauch, "Coast Defenses Against Asiatic Cholera," 130, 138, 140; Bell, "Report of the Committee on Disinfection of Rags," 170–196; Smith, "The New York Quarantine Establishment," 201–207.
- 42. Duffy, *Public Health in New York City*, 92, 94, 95; Fee and Hammond, "Science, Politics and the Art of Persuasion," 160; Winslow, *Life of Hermann M. Biggs*, 79, 81, 90, 95.
- 43. Markel, Quarantine, 90-91, 97-99, 108, 130.
- 44. Dr. Welch had been invited, but declined to attend. Markel, *Quarantine*, 126, 129; *NYT*, "Detention at Quarantine," Sep 22, 1892; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 128, 129; Greenleaf to GMS, PPPMO, Box 151, NARA; GMS, "Disinfection at Quarantine Stations," 57.
- 45. GMS, "The Biological Characters of the Cholera Spirillum," 387–391, and "Disinfection at Quarantine Stations," 60; NYT, "Discussed By Physicians," Sep 20, 1892.

- 46. GMS, "Disinfection at Quarantine Stations," 60, 61.
- 47. Ibid., 59.
- 48. Ibid., 61.
- 49. Information Slip, Oct 31, 1892, Sutherland to GMS, Nov 29, 1892, and GMS to Sutherland, Dec 5, 1892, PPPMO, Box 551, NARA.
- 50. GMS, "Report on Typhoid Fever at Madison Barracks," 45–49.
- 51. Although Bolton claimed ill health—he had had a tuberculous kidney removed recently—both Cornelius Hoagland and GMS were somewhat irritated with his hasty departure that left no one in charge of bacteriology. Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 71–72.
- 52. Eggerth, The History of the Hoagland Laboratory, 74, 75; M. Sternberg, GMS, 127.
- 53. M. Sternberg, GMS, 127, 128.
- 54. M. Sternberg, GMS, 128.
- 55. GMS encouraged Slee to establish his own private vaccine manufacturing laboratory. Four years later, he opened the Pocono Biological Laboratories in Swiftwater, Pennsylvania. It continues to produce vaccines today under the name Pasteur Merieux Connaught. Eggerth, *The History of the Hoagland Laboratory*, 73, 74; Jeff Widmer, *The Spirit of Swiftwater*, 11, 15, 17.
- Welch to GMS, Dec 4, 1892, Box 2, Folder 4 and Osler to GMS, Mar 13, 1893, Box
 Folder 29, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM.
- 57. M. Sternberg, GMS, 127.
- 58. Greenleaf to GMS, Dec 7, 1892 Box 1, Folder 21, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, MS C100, NLM.
- 59. Ashburn, History Army Medical Department, 147, 148.

Chapter Eleven

Surgeon General of the Army

- 1. M. Sternberg, GMS, 130.
- Ibid.
- 3. Gibson, Soldier in White, 166, 167; Nevins, Grover Cleveland, v2, 129, 175.
- 4. Gillett, AMEDD 1865-1917, 95.
- GMS to Dickinson, Feb 13, 1893, General Correspondence, Container 2, Lamont Papers, LOC.
- 6. Nevins, Grover Cleveland, v1, 196, v2, 467, 481.

- 7. GMS to Schofield, Apr 10, 1893, Letters Received, Container 34, #327, John M. Schofield Papers, LOC. Schofield, who had had a short tenure as Secretary of War (1868–1869), also replaced the traditional bureaucratic antagonism of the commanding general toward the Secretary of War with a cooperative spirit by assuming the role of a chief of staff, and he met regularly with the bureau chiefs to seek their advice and hear their concerns after he took command of the army in 1888. In the reform-minded, yet pragmatic, professionalism of Schofield, GMS had an understanding and sympathetic ally. Beaver, *Modernizing the American War Department*, 22; Connelly, *John M. Schofield*, 302–304.
- 8. Gibson, Soldier in White, 166, 167; Nevins, Grover Cleveland, v1, 129, 175.
- 9. M. Sternberg, GMS, 131.
- 10. Ibid.
- M. Sternberg, GMS, 132; Information Slip, May 31 and Adj Gen to GMS, May 30. 1893, PPPMO, Box 152, NARA.
- Welch to GMS, Jun 2, 1893, Box 2, Folder 4, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861– 1917, MS C100, NLM.
- 13. M. Sternberg, GMS, 135.
- 14. Ibid.
- 15. Ibid., 136.
- Box 1, Folders 14, 24, 28, 30, and Box 2, Folders 3 and 5, MS C100, George Miller Sternberg Papers, 1861–1917, NLM.
- 17. M. Sternberg, GMS, 135.
- 18. Denver Medical Times, May 31, 1893.
- 19. The 10 officers passed over were: Colonels Charles Page, Joseph E. Smith, Bernard J. D. Irwin, Charles T. Alexander, Joseph C. Bailey, Charles H. Alden, and Lieutenant Colonels Charles G. Byrne, Joseph P. Wright, Francis L. Town, and Dallas Bache. Official Army Register, 1893; NYT, "Surgeon General Sternberg," May 31, 1893, 12.
- J. C. Culbertson, "Surgeon General of the United States Navy," 594, and "The Surgeon General of the United States Army," 617; Kelly and Burrage, Dictionary of American Medical Biography, 1228.
- 21. Remembered primarily for civil service reform, Cleveland really saw this as a small piece of a broader program of general administrative change to reduce corruption in a number of departments. Secretary of War William C. Endicott put an end to the habitual homesteading of officers in Washington and other posts. When Surgeon General Murray retired in 1886, Cleveland broke from precedent and chose Lieutenant Colonel John Moore over six senior officers for the position. NYT, "New Naval Surgeon General," May 10, 1893, 4; Nevins, Grover Cleveland, v1, 207, 214–215, 232, v2, 510.
- Fryer to GMS, Jun 4, 1893, Box 1, Folder 19, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861– 1917, MS C100, NLM.

- Bailey to GMS, May 31, 1893, Box 1, Folder 14, George M. Sternberg Papers, 1861– 1917, MS C100, NLM.
- 24. Sherman and his successors also encouraged other professional activities, such as associations and journals. Through Sherman's support, officers such as Colonel William B. Hazen, Emory Upton, and others evaluated and reported upon European and Asian military organizations. In 1891, Schofield required all combat officers to prepare and present professional papers at regular meetings on post. This, in Schofield's words, was "to give officers an incentive to study...[and] stimulate professional zeal and ambition." Nenninger, The Leavenworth Schools and the Old Army, 7; Weigley, History of the United States Army, 272, 273, 274, 276; Coffman, Old Army, 271, 272.
- 25. Rothstein, American Physicians, 285–286; Flexner, Medical Education in the United States and Canada, 234–235.
- 26. ARSG 1888–1891; Gillett, AMEDD 1865–1917, 18–20; Greenleaf, Excerpts from personal correspondence of BG Charles R. Greenleaf, MS C91 Charles R. Greenleaf Papers, 1890-1936, NLM; Senn, "Mission of the Association," 547–550.
- 27. ARSG 1890, 3, 11; ARSG 1891, 3; ARSG 1892, 3.
- 28. ARSG 1893, 7, 13, 35.
- 29. No sources reveal when GMS began thinking about an Army Medical School. *ARSG 1894*, 21–23; Brinton, *Personal Memoirs of John H. Brinton*, 257–259; Thomas and Hyman, *Life and Times of Lincoln's Secretary of War*, 366–368; Duncan, "The Strange Case of Surgeon General Hammond," 100–101, 104, 107–108; "This Week," 10; GO's #51 and #78, Records, AMS, WRAIR Archives.
- 30. GMS to Reed, Jul 3, 1893, Hench-Reed Collection, UVA. GMS and Reed may have met in early October 1890 as Sternberg packed his equipment and departed for San Francisco and Reed began his course work in Welch's lab. Whether they did or not, GMS did not know Reed well enough to take him outright. Essay by William H. Welch concerning Walter Reed's work at Johns Hopkins University. 19--, Hench-Reed Collection, UVA.
- 31. ARSG 1893, 15.
- 32. GMS, "Function of the Army Medical School," 547-551.
- 33. M. Sternberg, GMS, 138–139.
- 34. M. Sternberg, GMS, 137-140; Gibson, Soldier in White, 173.
- 35. GMS, "Address to Members of the Pan-American Medical Congress," 369.
- 36. Ibid.
- 37. Ibid., 371.
- 38. Ibid., 374.
- 39. Ibid., 374-375.
- 40. Surgeons such as Charles Nancrede and W. W. Keen in Philadelphia, R. A. Kinloch in Charleston, T. G. Richardson of New Orleans, and Moses Gunn and Nicholas Senn in Chicago had collected and reported on the treatment of a large number of gunshot wounds.

- 41. Smith, "Nicholas Senn and the Origins of Association of Military Surgeons of the United States," 244.
- 42. Proceedings, AMSUS 1894, viii, xxiv, xxxii, xlv, xlvi, lxix, 1; Senn, "Mission of the Association," 547–550.
- 43. Gillett, *AMEDD 1865–1917*, 18–20; *ARSG 1893*, 15; *ARSG 1894*, 35–37, and *ARSG 1895*, 14; Greenleaf, Excerpts from personal correspondence of BG Charles R. Greenleaf, MS C91 Charles R. Greenleaf Papers, 1890–1936, NLM; John van R. Hoff, "What Is the Most Practicable Plan of Sanitary Organization for Active Service in the United States Army," *Proceedings*, AMSUS 1896, 208, 212, 220.
- 44. As the Indian Wars waned, Congress had been paring down the number of, and support to, military posts. In 1880, 185 posts and detachments with the same requirements were covered by 125 assistant and 111 contract surgeons; 10 years later, 164 posts were served by the same number of assistant surgeons and only 48 contract physicians. *ARSG* 1894, 14–15; Gillett, *AMEDD* 1865–1917, 15–17.
- 45. M. Sternberg, GMS, 137, 138; Gibson, Soldier in White, 176–177; ARSG 1894, 14–15, 16.
- 46. ARSG 1894, 15-21.
- 47. Of the five new medical first lieutenants, Deane C. Howard stood first in the class, followed by A. S. Porter, W. H. Wilson, W. W. Quinton, and T. S. Bratton. *ARSG* 1893, 15 and *ARSG* 1894, 35; Faculty Meeting Minutes, March 6, 1894, Records AMS, WRAIR Archives. For Osler's complete address, see: Osler, *Aequanimitas*, 3rd ed., 99–113.
- 48. Bean, *Walter Reed*, 56, 57; GMS to Reed, Jan 19, 1894, Hench-Reed Collection, UVA; Reed, "Germicidal Value of Trikresol," 204.
- 49. Bryant had orchestrated the President's clandestine surgery for a malignant oral tumor earlier in the year; an operation that was kept from Congress, the nation, and, most impressively, the news media for nearly 25 years. Nevins, *Grover Cleveland*, v2, 528–529; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 136; Gibson, *Soldier in White*, 172.
- 50. GMS, "Introductory Address Delivered September 30 at the College Building, Georgetown University," 689–696, "A National Health Bureau," 529–533, "The Bacteriology of Pyelonephritis," 664–669, and "The Proofs of Progress" 508–512; M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 149.
- 51. Gossel, "William Henry Welch and the Antivivisection Legislation," 405; GMS, *Immunity, Protective Inoculations in Infectious Diseases and Serum Therapy*, 234–235, and "Scientific Researches," 925, 927; Kinyoun, "Preliminary Report on the Treatment of Variola by Its Antitoxine," 31–33.
- 52. Kinyoun, "Preliminary Report on the Treatment of Variola by Its Antitoxine," 31–33. GMS thought a dried precipitate preparation of the serum, which could be reconstituted in a smaller amount of fluid, might eliminate the volume problem in treatment. Reed pursued this goal with some success in laboratory animals, but it was never tested in humans. GMS and Reed, "Report on Immunity Against Vaccination Conferred upon the Monkey," 57–58, 68.
- 53. M. Sternberg, GMS, 139; ARSG 1895, 7, 58.
- 54. ARSG 1896, 11-12, ARSG 1897, 14; Gillett, AMEDD 1865-1917, 99, 106-109.

- 55. GMS, "Scientific Researches Relating to the Specific Infectious Agent of Smallpox," 926–927.
- French, Antivivisection and Medical Science in Victorian Society, 1–35, 61–71, 85–89. Gossel, "William Henry Welch and the Antivivisection Legislation," 398–400, 404–405, 406.
- 57. Gossel, "William Henry Welch and the Antivivisection Legislation," 406–408; 54th Congress, 1 sess., Senate Bill 1552, Jan 14, 1896, LOC.
- 58. M. Sternberg, GMS, 140–141. The Silver Purchase Act, which required the Treasury to buy large amounts of silver every month and turn it into coinage, had destabilized the nation's gold standard financial base. The tariff bill, meant to reduce federal income and protect farmers, tended to drive up the price of manufactured goods in the long run. Cherney, American Politics in the Gilded Age, 87–90, 110–111, 114–116, 119–121.
- 59. McKinley's struggle for the White House had received help from Cleveland and a splinter group, the Gold Democrats. They had sought not to win the election, but to ensure Bryan's defeat by siphoning off votes for themselves or encouraging conservative Democrats to vote for McKinley. McKinley was not so very different from Cleveland politically. He supported the gold standard and was willing to revise the tariff act that carried his name in a manner more to Cleveland's liking. Cherny, American Politics in the Gilded Age, 122, 126–128; M. Sternberg, GMS, 140–143; Leech, In the Days of McKinley, 17, 438; Hagedorn, Leonard Wood, v1, 133–135.
- 60. ARSG 1896, 13, 15–16 and ARSG 1897, 21–22; Chronology of events concerning the Army Medical Museum and Surgeon General's Library, Otis Archives, NMHM; SO#241, AGO, October 15, 1895, AMS Records, WRAIR.
- 61. ARSG 1897, 6-8, 22 and ARSG 1896, 14.
- 62. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 251; *Reminiscences*, v2, Part 10, Box 18, MS C115 George M. Kober Papers, NLM; Rosen, "From Frontier Surgeon to Industrial Hygienist," 640, 641; Kober, *History and Development of the Housing Movement*, 11, 23–24. Kober began teaching hygiene and state medicine at Georgetown in 1892. Easby-Smith, *Georgetown University*, v1, 349–350.
- 63. Green, Washington, v2, 43–45; Lamb, History of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia, 153–156; Report of the Committee on Public Health of the Medical Society of the District of Columbia, 3, 4, 17, 18; "Purification of Water," Box 17, Kober Papers, NLM.
- 64. Kober, *History of Housing*, 4, 6–11, 13–20, 22–23; Hannold, "Comfort and Respectability," 24, 26; Jones, *Housing of Negroes*, 29–32; Borchert, *Alley Life in Washington*, 33–34.
- 65. Gould's company built sanitary tenements on Manhattan's East and West Sides. These structures had wide central courts, fire-proofed staircases and partitions, gas appliances, and were only two rooms deep to ensure adequate light and ventilation. Rented at \$8 to \$16 per month, they were affordable only to skilled laborers. Kober, *History of Housing*, 20–21, 23–24 and *Reminiscences*, v2, Part 18, 304–305; Lubove, *The Progressive and the Slum*, 88–89, 100–102, 109; Hannold, "Comfort and Respectability," 29.

- 66. Kober, History of Housing, 27, 29, Reminiscences, v2, Part 18, 304–305, and Report on the Housing of the Laboring Classes, 116; GMS, "Report of the Committee on Building of Model Homes," 18, 19.
- 67. GMS, "Housing Conditions in the Nation's Capital," 2; Ann. Rpts, Citizens Relief Association and Associated Charities, 12.
- 68. GMS, "Report of the Committee on Building of Model Homes," GMS, "Housing Conditions in the Nation's Capital," 2.
- 69. M. Sternberg, GMS, 144.
- 70. M. Sternberg, *GMS*, 144; GMS, "The Bacillus Icteroides of Sanarelli," 305; Warner, "Hunting the Yellow Fever Germ," 373.
- 71. M. Sternberg, GMS, 144; GMS, "The Bacillus Icteroides of Sanarelli," 303–322.
- 72. Mrs. Sternberg's account of the nearly 2-month-long trip, with the exception of site-seeing in St. Petersburg, is disappointingly vague. GMS had been so convinced that *Bacillus X* was the agent he sought he had tissue preparations from autopsied yellow fever victims sent to him from Havana by Dr. Burgess during the last two years of his research in an attempt to increase the number of reportable positive cases. He sent these fresh specimens to others, such as Dr. William Councilman at Johns Hopkins and Dr. James Reeves of Chattanooga, to review and hopefully confirm his earlier findings; this was a hope that did not materialize. Sternberg, *GMS*, 144–147; GMS, "Bacillus Icteroides of Sanarelli," 307–308.
- 73. GMS, "Bacillus Icteroides of Sanarelli," 308.
- 74. Ibid., 312-317, 319-320.
- 75. M. Sternberg, GMS, 148; GMS, "Bacillus Icteroides and Bacillus X," 233.
- 76. M. Sternberg, GMS, 149.

Chapter Twelve

War with Spain

- 1. Traxel, 1898, 82–84; Cashman, America in the Gilded Age, 3rd ed., 340–341; Trask, War With Spain, 8, 12, 21, 24, 28, 29, 41; Gould, The Spanish-American War and President McKinley, 29, 31, 32; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 2nd ed., 66.
- 2. Traxel, 1898, 82–84, 92–93; Trask, War With Spain, 41; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 2nd ed., 67; Gould, The Spanish-American War and President McKinley, 29, 31, 32.
- 3. Cosmas, Army for Empire, 70–71, 73–75, 77; DCR, v1, 169.
- 4. ARSG 1890-1898, budget reviews.
- ARSG 1894–1897; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 81; Alger, The Spanish-American War, 9, 11–12; DCR, v1, 101, 169.

- DCR, v1, 172, 717, 682–684, v6, 2812–2813, 2828, 2831, v7, 3325–3327; GMS, "Official Summary of the Annual Report of the Surgeon General of the Army," 103; ARSW 1899, 490–496; M. Sternberg, GMS, 161–162; GMS to Alger, Mar 11 and 15, 1898; GMS to Hawley and GMS to Hull, Mar 30, 1898 Box 152, RG112, E26, NARA.
- Alden to Superintendents, April 20, 1898, RG112, E26, Box 66, NARA; ARSG 1898, 107–108; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 81; Alger, Spanish-American War, 9, 11–12; DCR, v1, 169, v6, 2831–2833, v7, 3325–3327; GMS, "Official Summary of the Annual Report of the Surgeon General of the Army," 103; ARSW 1899, 490–496; M. Sternberg, GMS, 161–162.
- 8. To fill the enlisted ranks of these units, individual states were named as recruiting areas for each regiment. Supplementary officers needed were drawn from the commissioned and non-commissioned ranks of the Regular Army and from civilian nominations by the President. Cosmas, *Army for Empire*, 82–84, 87–90, 98; Gould, *Spanish-American War*, 51.
- Gould, Spanish-American War, 73–74; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 98, 108, 111, 114–116; Shafter, "Capture of Santiago de Cuba," 612; Estimate of the Surgeon General, May 3, 1898, RG112, E26, Box 129, NARA.
- 10. Cosmas, Army for Empire, 114–115; NYT, "Plans for Invading Cuba," May 6, 1898, 1, 9.
- 11. NYT, "Plans for Invading Cuba," May 6, 1898, 9 and "Looking for Ships to Take Them," May 10, 1898, 2.
- 12. Scott, History of Tropical Medicine, v1, 166–169.
- 13. ARSG 1898, 140.
- 14. Miles, "The War with Spain, I," 522–523; DeMontravel, *A Hero to His Fighting Men*, 237.
- Of the 97 physicians examined, 13 were accepted. ARSG 1898, 100–101; DCR, v6, 2813, 2814, 2816; ARSW, 370; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 81; GMS to Greenleaf, May 2, 1898, Box 339; GMS to Pope, Apr 20, 1898, Box 164, RG112, E26.
- 16. ARSG 1898, 101; DCR, v1, 170, v6, 2814, 2824.
- 17. DCR, v1, 171–172, v6, 2825–2827; ARSG 1898, 101; Sarnecky, History of the U. S. Army Nurse Corps, 30. Male nursing programs existed at Bellevue and Charity Hospitals, New York, Philadelphia and Western Pennsylvania Hospitals, Cook County Hospital, and at the University of Maryland. SGO to Superintendents, Male Nurse Training Schools, Apr 20, 1898, Box 66, RG112, E26, NARA; Kalisch, "Heroines of '98," 413.
- 18. DCR, v 1, 171.
- 19. Bache, "The Place of the Female Nurse in the Army," 320.
- 20. Bache, "The Place of the Female Nurse in the Army," 322; McGee, Women Nurses, 1.
- 21. DCR, v1, 725-726, v6, 2826.

- Gillett, AMEDD 1865–1917, 123; Sarnecky, Army Nurse Corps, 30–32; McGee, Women Nurses, 1; M. Sternberg, GMS, 168; SGO Correspondence, Contract Nurses, Box 145, RG112, E26, NARA.
- 23. ARSG 1898, 140-142.
- DCR, v1, 180, 643–644, v6, 2818–2619; GMS to Sec War, Jul 12, 1898, Box 164, RG112, E26.
- 25. GMS allowed 1 surgeon, 1 hospital steward, 10 privates, 10 beds, and supplies for 90 days per regiment, which were adequate and allowed mobility on campaign. DCR, v1, 173–174, 181.
- 26. Hospital facilities were established in convent buildings at Key West, empty barracks at Forts Thomas and Myer, and the Leiter Hotel at Chickamauga, while tents expanded existing hospitals at Forts McPherson and Monroe. Four nurses were on duty at the general hospital at Key West by mid-May, but only 50 contracts had been let by July 1, not more than 100 by mid month, and he continued to search for male nurses. *DCR*, v1, 172, 655-58, 731, v6, 2825; GMS to Ludington, May 30, 1898, Ludington to GMS, Jun 5, 1898, Box 189, and GMS to Matas, Jul 11, 1898, Box 171, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 27. Cosmas, Army for Empire, 119, 120.
- 28. For each regiment, this included two ambulances, four extra litters, a field hospital with a holding capacity for 10 patients, medical and surgical chests, and supplies for 90 days. *DCR*, v1, 681. Purveying officers Colonels Joseph P. Wright, J. V. D. Middleton, and Lieutenant Colonel J. M. Brown served at St. Louis, San Francisco, and New York, respectively. *ARSG 1898*, 105–106.
- 29. ARSG 1898, 103-106; DCR, v1, 681-682, 686, v6, 2836.
- 30. ARSG 1898, 104–106; GMS to Pope, May 17, 1898, Box 164, E26, RG112, NARA; Trask, War with Spain, 183; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 250.
- 31. Cosmas, Army for Empire, 173–174, 177, 193; Trask, War with Spain, 116, 132–134, 172–175.
- 32. DCR, v1, 717-719, v6, 2831-2833, v7, 3328-3329.
- 33. Trask, War with Spain, 178; DCR, v1, 190, 709.
- 34. ARSG 1898, 107–109; Trask, War with Spain, 194, 213, 217; DCR, v1, 151, 196, 720; Wood to GMS, Jun 30, 1898, Box 164, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 35. Greenleaf to GMS, Jun 11, Box 164, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 36. GMS to Greenleaf, Jun 12, 1898, Box 164, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 37. GMS to Byrne, Jun 9, 1898, Box 195, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 38. DCR, v1, 573, 718.
- 39. The nurses were Amy Farquharson, Amanda J. Armistead, Lucy Ashley Sharp, Elsie Lempe, Louise Jones Block, and Esther Voorhees Hasson. NYT, "The Hospital Ship Relief," Jun 16 and "Departure of the Relief," Jul 3, 1898.

- Barton, *The Red Cross*, 557, 560, 561; *DCR*, v1, 195, 709–710, 720, v5, 2369; Wood to GMS, Jun 30, 1898, Box 164, and Barton to GMS, Jun 21, 1898, Box 195, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 41. *ARSG 1898*, 144–145; *DCR*, v1, 709, 710, v5, 1833–1834, 1836, 1966–1967; Trask, *War with Spain*, 295; *NYEP*, "The Yellow Fever Menace," Jul 14, 1898; Shafter, "Capture of Santiago de Cuba," 627–628.
- 42. GMS to Adj Gen and Adj Gen to Shafter, Jul 13, 1898, Box 212, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 43. Shafter to Adj Gen, Jul 14 1898, 139 and Greenleaf to GMS, Jul 14, 1898, 140, Correspondence, v1.
- 44. Greenleaf to GMS, Jul 14, 1898; Correspondence, v1, 140; ARSG 1898, 6.
- 45. DCR, v1, 719, 726; NYT, "Red Cross Relief Work," Jul 17, 1898.
- 46. Concerned health officials in some of the Gulf Coast states had already registered their apprehensions about diseased soldiers returning to their states from Cuba and unfounded rumors were circulating that Tampa was now infected. Sanders to GMS, Jun 17, 1898, Corbin to Coppinger, and Coppinger to Corbin, Jul 17, 1898, and Porter to GMS, Jul 21, 1898, Box 194, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 47. NYT, "The Olivette's Wounded," Jul 18, 1898.
- 48. These vessels had not become filthy, pestholes overnight. The V Corps Surgeon and other medical officers had commented on the poor living conditions aboard the steamers before they left Tampa in June, but the urgency of the invasion necessitated their use. *DCR*, v1, 143–146, 616, v7, Torney Testimony, 3339–3340; *ARSG 1899*, 190; *NYT*, "Gen Sternberg's Visit," Jul 27, 1898; *NYEP*, "Arrival of the Seneca," Jul 20 and "Dr. G. M. Sternberg Here," Jul 26, 1898; Trask, *War with Spain*, 330; GMS, "The Medical Department of the Army," 214; Byrne to GMS Aug 1, 1898, Box 219 and *NYT*, "The Concho," Aug 2, 1898, Box 222, RG112, E26, NARA.
- 49. NYT, "Red Cross Relief Work," Jul 17, 1898.
- 50. NYT, "Yellow Fever Checked," Jul 20 and "Battling With the Fever," Jul 31, 1898.
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- 53. Trask, War with Spain, 330; Shafter to Adj Gen, July 29, 1898, Correspondence, v1, 186; Cosmas, Army for Empire, 258; ARSG 1899, 217.
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- 62. Editorials, "The Army and Quarantine," and "The Wounded After Siboney," *Med Rec* 54 (Jul 30, 1898), 161–162; GMS to Senn, Jul 30, 1898, Box 222, E26, RG112, NARA.
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- 72. Burtenshaw, "Caring for the Sick and Wounded," 235–236; Cosmas, *Army for Empire*, 263.
- 73. Forwood to GMS, Aug 10, 1898, Box 224, RG112, E26; GMS to Forwood and Byrne, Aug 14, Young to GMS and Doty to GMS, Aug 16, and GMS to Doty, Aug 18, 1898, Box 212, RG112, E26; *DCR*, v2, 743; *NYT*, "Contagion Feared at Camp Wikoff, Aug 17, and "No Quarantine at Camp Wikoff," Aug 18, 1898. One medical authority, Dr. Frederick Castle, claimed that the water was insufficient for any length of time and that a tetanus epidemic was imminent, as Montauk was the only place in North America, with the exception of Nova Scotia, where the tetanus bacillus thrived in the soil. *NYT*, "Bad Water at Montauk," Aug 11, 1898.
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- 80. ARSG 1899, 109–115; Cirillo, Bullets and Bacilli, 62, 63, 69, 70; NYT, "Battling with the Fever," Jul 31, 1898, "Camp Alger a Pest Hole," Aug 6, 1898, and "Chickamauga a Pest Hole," Aug 14, 1898.
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- 88. NYT, "What Sternberg Says," Aug 28 and "Seeks No Inquiry Now," Sep 2, 1898; DCR, v8, 37.
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Chapter Thirteen

Empire and Insurrection

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- 5. ARSG 1899, 357, 362–363, 376–377, 505, 545, 556.
- ARSG 1900, 609; Greenleaf, "A Brief Statement of the Sanitary Work," 157; Gillett, "U.S. Army Medical Officers," 570.
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- 10. Ross, Memoirs, 127.
- 11. GMS to Maus, Dec 30, 1898, Box 236, E26, RG112, NARA; ARSG 1899, 505–506, 626–627; Truby, Memoir of Walter Reed, 27–28.
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- 19. Linn, *Philippine War*, 56–57, 88–91.
- ARSG 1899, 372; GMS to Sec War, 30 Nov 1898, E26, Box 152, RG112, NARA;
 ARSG 1900, 606.
- 21. GMS to Sec War, Feb 1, 1899, RG112, E26, Box 152, NARA; ARSG 1899, 372.
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- 23. Woodhull to GMS, May 23 and 24, Jun 4, 1899, Box 338, S26, RG112, NARA.
- 24. Ibid.
- 25. Woodhull to GMS, May 23 and 24, Jun 4, 1899, and Woodhull to Adj Gen, Jul 3, 1899, Box 338, S26, RG112, NARA; *ARSG 1899*, 465.
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 Truby, A Memoir, 27–28.
- 27. ARSG 1899, 626, 631-632.
- 28. GMS, "Sanitary Lessons of the War," 1287-1294.

- 29. Williams, *United States Public Health Service*, 222–223; GMS, "Bacillus Icteroides and Bacillus x," 233, 234.
- 30. Agramonte, "Inside History," 213.
- 31. ARSG 1899, 523; Truby, A Memoir, 37–39, 42, 43, 54; Geddings, "Causal Relationship of the Bacillus Icteroides," 704; Agramonte to GMS, Oct 2, 1899, Box 1, Folder 13, NLM.
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- 34. Woodhull to Adj Gen, Aug 3, 1899, Otis to Adj Gen, Aug 5, 1899, and Woodhull to GMS, Aug 15, 1899, Box 338, S26, RG112, NARA; Linn, *Philippine War*, 122–123, 139.
- 35. ARSG 1900, 535; GMS to Adj Gen, May 29, 1899, Box 133, S26, RG112, NARA.
- 36. Acting Surgeon Gen to Corbin, Jul 1, 1899, and GMS to Woodhull, Jul 19, 1899, Box 338, and GMS to Forwood, Jul 27, 1899, Box 10, S26, RG112, NARA.
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- 40. GMS to Forwood, Sep 30 and Oct 10, 1899, Box 338, S26, RG112, NARA.
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- 44. Brands, Bound to Empire, 63; Linn, Philippine War, 216.
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- 49. Greenleaf to GMS, Feb 10, 1900, Box 339, S26, RG112, NARA.
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- 51. Greenleaf to GMS, Feb 10, 1900, Box 339, S26, RG112, NARA.
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- 53. ARSG 1900, 606; GMS to Root, Nov 29, 1899, GMS to McKinley, Dec 6, 1899, and GMS to Senator Hawley and Representative Hull, Apr 13, 1900, Box 152, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 54. GMS to Greenleaf, Mar 12, Letter, GMS to Greenleaf, and Telegram, GMS to Greenleaf, both Mar 29, 1900, Box 339, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 55. Sarnecky, Army Nurse Corps, 46.
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Chapter Fourteen

Yellow Fever Loses Its Mystique

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- 4. GMS, "Etiology and Classification of Infectious Diseases," 660; GMS to Reed, May 29, 1900, Box 460, E26, RG112, NARA.
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- Truby, A Memoir, 87–89; Carroll to Surgeon General, 18 Aug 1906, Box 236, E26, RG112, NARA; Furman, Profile of the USPHS, 234, 236, 237.
- 8. Carter to Lazear, Jun 26, 1900, Box 1, Folder 3, MS C160 Henry Rose Carter Papers, 1899–1968, NLM.
- 9. Carter, "A Note on the Interval between Infecting and Secondary Cases," 636; Truby to Hench, Nov 30, 1941, Box 39, Philip Showalter Hench Series, Reed-Hench Collection, UVA; Finlay, "Transmission of Yellow Fever," 73; John J. Moran, "Memoir of a Human Guinea Pig," 6, Walter Reed Series, Box 25, #02571001, Reed-Hench Collection, UVA; Reed, "Propagation of Yellow Fever," 203.
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 ARSG 1900, 575.
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- 34. Reed, Carroll, Agramonte, and Lazear, "The Etiology of Yellow Fever: A Preliminary Note," 792–793; Bean, *Walter Reed*, 136, 141; GMS to Adj Gen, 19 Oct 1900, Box 236, E26, RG112, NARA; GMS to Howard Kelly, Dec 12, 1902, Jefferson Randolph Kean Series, Box 143, #14347001, Reed-Hench Collection, UVA.
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- 36. GMS to Greenleaf, Oct 18, 1900, Box 339, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 37. GMS to Corbin, Oct 8, 1900, Box 339, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 38. Linn, *Philippine War*, 272–273; Saxton, *Soldiers in the Sun*, 248–251; MacArthur to Corbin, Nov 22, 1900, Box 339, E26, RG112, NARA.
- 39. Bean, Walter Reed, 141–142; GMS to Reed, Oct 23, 1900, Box 236, E26, RG112, NARA; NYT, Oct 27, 1900.
- 40. Bean, Walter Reed, 142; Truby, A Memoir, 133.
- 41. Hagedorn, Leonard Wood, v1, 326; Bean, Walter Reed, 169, 175-176.
- 42. Reed, "The Etiology of Yellow Fever: A Preliminary Note," 796.
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- 44. Truby, A Memoir, 104.
- 45. GMS, "Yellow Fever and Mosquitoes," 1391.
- 46. Truby, *A Memoir*, 132, 136; Hagedorn, *Leonard Wood*, v1, 326–328; Reed, "The Etiology of Yellow Fever: An Additional Note," 132.
- 47. Reed, "The Etiology of Yellow Fever: An Additional Note," 132; Sternberg, GMS, 222; Truby, A Memoir, 159–160.
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- 63. Torney to GMS, Mar 1 and Bannister to GMS, Feb 21, 1901, Box 529, and Byrne to GMS, Mar 27, 1901, Box 406, E26, RG112, NARA.
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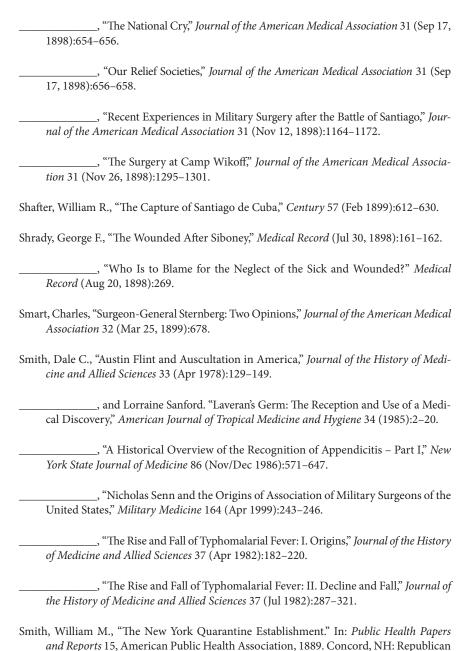
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