

**NEW YORK SUPREME COURT.**

**Sketch of Three Yale Men who have been Honored by Nominations.**

Three well known Yale men are candidates this Fall for Supreme Court Justices of the State of New York. Mr. Frederic A. Ward, '62, and Mr. Henry W. Taft, '80, are two Republican candidates, and Mr. Almet F. Jenks, '77, is a Democratic nominee. Mr. Ward and Mr. Jenks are running against each other in the Second Judicial District, which includes Brooklyn.



FREDERICK A. WARD, '62.  
NOMINATED FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE OF NEW YORK.

For a sketch of Mr. Ward, the following is reprinted from the speech of the Hon. George G. Reynolds, making the nomination:

"Mr. Ward was graduated, with distinction from Yale in the Class of Sixty-Two, and subsequently from Columbia College Law School, but received the most important part of his legal training in the law office of Emott, Van Cott & Jenks, then one of the most distinguished firms in the cities of New York and Brooklyn. He then entered into partnership with Grenville T. Jenks, which firm lasted till the death of Mr. Jenks.

"Although doing a large legal business in the borough across the river, he has one of his offices here, and for thirty years has been intimately connected with the Kings County bar, and prominently employed in much of its important and difficult litigation. May I be excused for saying, that from having been for a time his partner, and from intimate association since, I personally know with what consummate skill and untarnished honor he has prosecuted his profession, and with what devotion to its highest standards. All of you in Brooklyn or New York know that I do not exaggerate when I say that for natural and acquired ability as a lawyer, for an intuitive perception of the common sense and of the legal bearings of any question presented, fully equipped as he is with legal lore, and yet not overborne or crushed by it, for readiness and accuracy in the trial of cases, and for fairness and squareness, he has no superior at our bar."

MR. JENKS.

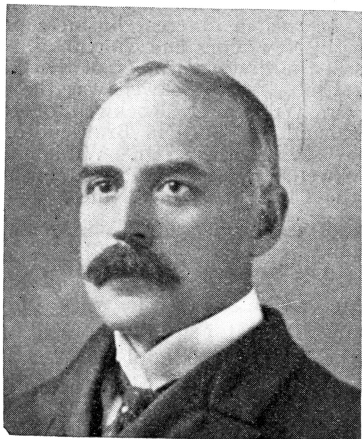
Mr. Almet Francis Jenks was graduated from Phillips Andover in 1871, and from Yale in 1875, and from Columbia Law School in 1877. In 1878 he became a partner of Frederic A. Ward, against whom he is pitted in the present election. He was Assistant District Attorney of Kings County from 1884-1888; Corporation Counsel of Brooklyn from 1886 to 1894; member of the New York Constitutional Convention in 1895, serving on the Judiciary Committee, and Judge Advocate General of New York from 1890 to 1894. He is now Assistant Corporation Counsel of New York, being, in reality, the Corporation Counsel of Brooklyn.

A biographer of Mr. Jenks has thus described him:  
"Mr. Jenks has had large experience at the bar, both in the trial of causes and in the examination and argument of questions of law. This experience covers a general practice with large

firms, including all branches of the law of a civil nature; a practical acquaintance with criminal law, acquired in the performance of his duties as Assistant District Attorney; a familiarity and understanding of the constitutional law, as the immediate result of his labors in the Constitutional Convention; a knowledge of military law, studied and expounded as Judge Advocate General, and as a result of his long service as the legal adviser of the City of Brooklyn." The Brooklyn Eagle of October 5, 1898, speaking of the nomination of Mr. Jenks, said: "He is one of the most distinguished authorities on municipal law at the American bar."

MR. TAFT.

Henry Waters Taft makes a third Yale nominee for Supreme Court Justiceship. Mr. Taft was educated in the Woodward High School of Cincinnati and in Yale College, from which he was graduated in 1880. He was for two years here a member of the University Crew. He was admitted to the New York Bar in 1882, having completed his legal education in the Columbia Law School. For many years he has been counsel and court attorney for the New Haven Railroad, in which capacity he has tried a large number of cases in the federal and state courts. In addition to his court training Mr. Taft has had wide experience in other forms of law as referee in a number of very important causes, such as the Garrison case, and also as attorney for large and complicated estates. His standing in the legal profession is instanced by his enviable position in the bar association during the last eight years as Chairman of its Committee on Admissions, and also as member of its Executive Committee and Library Committee. Mr. Taft is a member of the Century, University and Yale clubs; a governor of the St. Andrew's Golf Club, Secretary of the Yale Alumni Association, and first President of the Boys' Club in St. Mark's Place. He was appointed to the Board of Education by Mayor Strong in 1897. He has been very active on the Board, his legal knowledge being of frequent use and great value in its work. He was one of those who especially opposed the Mayor's attempt to oust the present School Board, and is at the moment one of the legal committee appointed to defend Manhattan against Brooklyn in its suit in the Supreme Court for the possession of \$325,000 of school money.



ARTHUR F. JENKS, '75.  
NOMINATED FOR SUPREME COURT JUSTICE OF NEW YORK.

Mr. Taft comes from a very well known Yale family. His father graduated in the Class of Thirty-Three. One brother, Charles P., graduated in 1864; another, Peter R., was valedictorian of Sixty-Seven; a third, William H., was salutatorian of Seventy-Eight, while the youngest, Horace D., graduated in 1883, was afterwards in the Faculty here, and is now head of the Taft School of Watertown, Conn.

**Prom Festivities Curtailed.**

A meeting of the Junior Class was held Wednesday evening, October 19th, for the purpose of electing the Junior Promenade Committee. On the preliminary ballot the following men were named: J. C. Greenway, P. A. Rockefeller, S. B. Camp, F. B. Adams, W. L. Chittenden, A. J. Baker, M. Mills, B. Johnson, W. E. Minor, M. Douglas, J.

D. Dana, F. W. Allen, C. E. Sullivan, M. L. McBride, T. B. Clarke, Jr., C. L. Tiffany.

The nine men chosen by the final ballot were: Percy Avery Rockefeller of New York City, Chairman; Stuart Brown Camp of West Winsted, Conn.; James Cowan Greenway of Hot Springs, Ark.; Frederick Baldwin Adams of Toledo, O.; Walter Lyon Chittenden of Binghamton, N. Y.; Matthew Mills of Chicago, Ill.; Alanson Judson Baker of Gloversville, N. Y.; Bascom Johnson of Washington, D. C.; Malcolm Douglas of Albany, N. Y.

At the meeting a communication from the Faculty was read which stated that the Prom festivities should be limited to two days, Monday and Tuesday, the Glee Club concert to be given



HENRY W. TAFT, '80.  
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Monday evening, followed by the Class Germans and the Prom to be held on Tuesday. It is suggested that the Prom week begin on Monday instead of Saturday as has been the case for the last two years. In this way the custom of entertaining visitors in the college rooms on Sunday will be done away with as well as the necessary expense involved in having friends in town for the two extra days. The suggestion will be carefully considered by the Committee and will no doubt be followed out.

**Yale Battery Mustered Out.**

Battery A, First Conn. Vols., in which sixty Yale men were enlisted, was mustered out with full pay, at the Second Regiment Armory, New Haven, on Tuesday, Oct. 25. Since the expiration of the thirty-days' furlough, granted them Sept. 16, the Yale men have been allowed to room where they chose, merely reporting for roll call each day. One hundred and fifty-seven men in addition to the officers of the Battery, were mustered out, of whom fifty-five were among the original sixty Yale men who enlisted. The Battery was mustered out by Lieutenant Crofton of the First United States Infantry.

Lieutenant Crofton took part in the engagements before Santiago this Summer.

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