

WALLER'S STORY OF FRENCH INHUMANITY.

Our Ex-Consul at Tamatave Chained to a Plank and Spat Upon by a Mob.

Treated as Guilty, He Says, by His Successor, Edward I. Wetter, and Left to His Fate.

TO SUE THE FRENCH GOVERNMENT.

The Ex-Consul Arrives Here on the Steamship New York, and a Reception Will Be Arranged in His Honor by the Republicans.

Little the worse, apparently, for his sojourn in French prisons, John L. Waller, formerly United States Consul at Tamatave, in the island of Madagascar, arrived yesterday on the American liner New York from Southampton.

The ex-Consul was sentenced by a French naval court-martial on March 23 last to twenty years' solitary imprisonment. The charges against him were that he had violated a French order by sending letters through another medium than the French post, and also that he had held written communication with the Hovas in Madagascar regarding the French fortifications at Tamatave.

Mr. Waller is a colored man, fifty-one years old, and he is of superior intelligence and education. His arrest, he said, was an outrage, his conviction unfair, and his treatment by the French guards on board the steamship Djemnah, which transported him to France, inhuman.

"The letters which figured in my con-

viction at Tamatave before a French naval court-martial were epistles," said he, "I had sent to my wife, who was in the country. The letters simply gave my wife the general news and no mention was made of the French troops or of the siege of Tamatave. I was Consul at Tamatave from August, 1891, until January, 1894. In 1893, fully a year before the trouble arose between the French and the people of Madagascar, I had obtained a concession of twenty-five square miles of land in Madagascar. The French, at the time of the siege, wanted to confiscate this same as the other lands, and therein I see the motive for the attack on me.

"Acting United States Consul Wetter, at the time of my arrest, acted with absolute indifference. After the trial I wrote Consul Edward I. Wetter, on advice of my counsel, and asked him to call and see me officially. Instead of coming Wetter wrote me a letter in which he charged me with being guilty of a violation of law, and he declared that while the United States would probably save me from oppression, I need not expect any immediate clemency or relief.

"Of course, this letter fell into the hands of the French officers, who were expected to preside at a second trial I had been promised. It was finally sent to me by the interpreter of the post Colonel, who, on handing it to me, remarked: 'Read that. You see what your Consul says about you. He says you are guilty. How can you blame us?'

"On board the Djemnah I was at first made to sit in a hatchway, where I was spat upon at will by the rabble at Tamatave, prior to our departure. My ankles were manacled and I could not move, but by exposure to the weather until we reached Zanzibar, when I was released and given a room, on the remonstrance of a humane French officer.

"In accepting release I have waived no rights, and I shall again lay the case before the State Department, and also bring suit against the French Government."

Mr. Waller was met at the pier by H. D. Miller, one of the Reception Committee of the Republican Club of the Nineteenth Assembly District, who will tender him a reception to-morrow night. He will also be given a reception in St. Mark's Church, Fifty-third street and Eighth avenue.

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The starting of our Spring furniture selling has brought many new lines from overstocked manufacturers, who are glad to make us the most liberal concessions to take their stocks. Hence we were, not surprised when a well-known maker offered us his line of samples of Parlor and Library Tables at less than the cost of production. These tables were made for this season's trade, and come in all the popular woods, such as Mahogany, Oak, Curly Birch Imitation Mahogany and Maple, some with brass trimmings. They will be on sale to-morrow at prices ranging from \$2.75 to \$15.00, or at about half their real value.

Here are some more good things. In fact we've never been so well prepared to undersell all competitors as now. It will pay any prospective purchaser of furniture to see and compare our offerings with those of other stores before buying. In case you don't need the goods for immediate use, we'll put them aside for you until wanted.

Cottage Chamber Suits.

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Parlor Suits.

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