

minimum visual angle is much smaller than we have been accustomed to assume hitherto, also that the use of colors has no influence on the appreciation of this angle.

Change of Address.

L. C. Bacon, 556 Selby Ave., to 737 Fairmount St., St. Paul, Minn.
 R. G. Barnsdale, 420 Main St., Stevens Point, to West Superior, Wis.
 E. W. Baum, 3200 Wallace St., to 1129 Lill Ave., Chicago.
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 C. Bock, Petoskey, Mich., to Ft. Wayne, Ind.
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 Julia W. Carpenter, Rock Ridge, Watch Hill, R. I., to 908 E. McMillan St., Cincinnati, Ohio.
 G. W. Drake, Montague, Tenn., to Hollins, Va.
 C. M. Dumm, 540 Shaw Ave., McKeesport, to Allegheny County Home, Woodville, Pa.
 J. W. Duncan, Gay and Vine Sts., Knoxville, Tenn., to 101½ Whitehall St., Atlanta, Ga.
 J. M. Eisenbise, Lawrence, to Fairview, Kan.
 W. W. Fugitt, Denton, to Burtonville, Ky.
 M. D. Gibbs, Altman, to Touraine, Col.
 H. K. Gorsuch, 808 N. Carrollton Ave., to N. W. Cor. Biddle and McCulloch, Sts., Baltimore, Md.
 S. P. Hart, Auburn, to Waverly, Ill.
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 H. P. Howard, Alexandria, to Lexington, Va.
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 P. H. Irish, Brainerd, to Akely, Minn.
 D. J. Jones, Lisbon, to Girard, Ohio.
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 C. F. McGahan, Bethlehem, N. H., to Aiken, S. C.
 J. B. Mears, Keller, to University of Virginia, Charlottesville, Va.
 C. B. Miller, Scranton, to Vinland, Kan.
 E. L. Mitchell, Roseville, to Monmouth, Ill.
 Thor. Moeller, Hillsboro, to St. John, N. D.
 J. H. Oakley, M. H. S., Queenstown, Ireland, to U. S. Marine Hospital Service, Evansville, Ind.
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 A. M. Underwood, Grove Beach, Conn., to Lancaster, Pa.
 W. S. Wells, Ney, Ohio, to Adamsville, R. I.
 Elizabeth White, St. Luke's Hospital, New York City, to Romney, W. Va.
 L. D. Wilson, 12th St., to 1132 Chapline St., Wheeling, W. Va.
 C. W. Womack, Tullahoma, Tenn., to S. A. F. College, San Antonio, Tex.
 H. A. Wright, Linkville, Ore., to Wilbur, Wash.

Queries and Minor Notes.

ANXIOUS TO BE A QUACK.

The following is clipped from a Chicago newspaper; the last qualification, certainly, ought to get the position desired:

SITUATION WANTED—By physician with an advertising specialist; competent to conduct correspondence, hold the chair, and good fee-taker.

COMMISSION TO OPHTHALMIC SURGEONS.

ATLANTA, GA., Sept. 14, 1900.

To the Editor:—Six years ago, when I began the practice of ophthalmology in this city, the leading optical house approached me with the proposition that if I would send to them all of my prescription work they would allow me one-third of the amount paid them by the patient on each prescription, and at the end of the month send me a check on this basis for the number of pre-

scriptions received. I immediately declined such an offer on the grounds that it was dishonest to make the patient pay me twice; rather preferring the reduction should be made in favor of the patient at the time of purchasing the glasses. This rule I have strictly adhered to, although the opticians will not give this reduction to the purchaser, claiming that they cannot afford to have two prices for customers. This same optical house has recently told me that such a contract between oculist and optician is practiced in all the large cities, as New York and Chicago, and this, too, by the leading men in the profession. I should certainly like to know the truth of this statement and whether such practices are considered ethical.

DUNBAR ROY.

ANS.—The above query was submitted to Dr. Casey A. Wood, editor of the *Ophthalmic Record*, who sends the following reply:

"Dr. Dunbar Roy's query may, so far as it relates to the city of Chicago, be safely answered in the negative. It is not a common practice for the optician to pay the ophthalmic surgeon a commission on glasses furnished by him, nor would such a practice be considered ethical. I believe I am voicing the sentiment of the profession in this city when I say that such a doubtful method could not be generally practiced and be long kept a secret. A number of perfectly reputable ophthalmologists furnish glasses to their patients just as certain other physicians dispense their own drugs, and doubtless there are arguments that may be advanced in favor of this plan, but I am not acquainted with a single confrere who is willing to defend the practice of accepting commissions from the optician. If one exists, Dr. Roy's note furnishes an excellent opportunity for him to come forward and show cause for such conduct."

CASEY A. WOOD, M.D.

The Public Service.

Army Changes.

Movements of Army Medical Officers under orders from the Adjutant-General's Office, Washington, D. C., August 29 to September 4, 1900, inclusive:

William F. Bernart, acting asst.-surgeon, relieved from duty at the Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark., for annulment of contract.

George M. Bradfield, acting asst.-surgeon, previous orders revoked; on being relieved by Acting Asst.-Surgeon Harold W. Cowper, he will proceed to Philadelphia, Pa., for annulment of contract.

Henry R. Carter, jr., acting asst.-surgeon, relieved from the Department of the Columbia for assignment with troops going on foreign service.

Harold W. Cowper, acting asst.-surgeon, from the Department of Porto Rico to Fort Ontario, N. Y., to relieve Acting Asst.-Surgeon Bradfield.

Joseph J. Curry, acting asst.-surgeon, now at Zanesville, Ohio, on the expiration of his present sick leave to duty at the Army and Navy General Hospital, Hot Springs, Ark.

Orlando Ducker, major and surgeon, U. S. Vols., honorably discharged from service, to take effect September 30, 1900.

Thomas G. Holmes, acting asst.-surgeon, from Fort Wright, Wash., to accompany Cops. "B" and "M," 24th U. S. Infantry, to Manila, P. I.

David J. Johnson, acting asst.-surgeon, previous orders revoked.

Henry S. Kilbourne, major and surgeon, U. S. A., member of a board to prepare a comprehensive plan for the location of new buildings, roads and walks at Fort Hamilton, N. Y.

Elmer E. Mansfield, acting asst.-surgeon, from Wilmer to San Antonio, Tex., for duty with the 25th U. S. Infantry under orders for foreign service.

William E. Richards, lieutenant and asst.-surgeon, U. S. A., previous orders revoked; leave of absence granted.

William J. S. Stewart, acting asst.-surgeon, from Vineyard Haven, Mass., to Fort Slocum, N. Y., to accompany recruits to the Philippine Islands.

Charles K. Winne, major and surgeon, U. S. A., from Fort Crook, Nebr., to duty at Fort Porter, N. Y.

Marshall W. Wood, major and surgeon, U. S. A., leave of absence granted.

The following acting assistant-surgeons have been directed to proceed from the places designated to San Francisco, Cal., for assignment to duty with troops destined for foreign service: Charles L. Baker, Duffield, West Va.; John L. Burkart, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Max F. Clausius, Barrington, Ill.; Samuel C. Lindsay, Salineville, Ohio; Irvine W. Patton, Huntsville, Ala.; George M. Ekwurzel, Philadelphia, Pa.; Charles A. Ross, Leopold, Ind.; Charles R. Reynolds, Philadelphia, Pa.

Navy Changes.

Changes in the Medical Corps of the U. S. Navy for the week ending Sept. 8, 1900:

Asst.-Surgeon E. V. Armstrong, granted sick leave for one month.
 P. A. Surgeon C. M. DeValin, ordered to additional duty at the navy yard, Portsmouth, N. H.

Asst.-Surgeon A. G. Grunwell, detached from the *Monocacy* and ordered to the *Brooklyn* by commander-in-chief of Asiatic Station.

Asst.-Surgeon T. M. Lippitt, detached from the *Newark* and ordered to the *Monocacy*.

Surgeon A. C. H. Russell, detached from the naval hospital, Yokohama, Japan, and ordered to proceed home and to wait orders.