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It does seem reasonable that if Major Mitchell were going out with other officers he would not borrow from a Private soldier, but from those officers themselves. With respect to the 7th charge I submit that no legal foundation exists and therefore the charge cannot stand. It has been established that the duties of the servants were to be performed and paid for through the officers mess and on cross examination it was admitted there was no charge for pressing. It was part of the duties the servants were performing and for which he was paid through the mess funds. The question of laundry seems to be that there was no official sanction which would put it on a proper basis. There was no bill submitted by the accused. There was no verbal statement given at any time. The Court has the opportunity to dismiss all these charges if the facts are interpreted in the way in which I have presented them. If the Court finds that the accused is guilty I would urge that the Court take into consideration the bank account of the accused and his back ground when it comes to financial matters.

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The Court closes for consideration of sentence.

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