

# Juneteenth *Emancipation Day*

## MILITARY ORDERS.

HEAD-QUARTERS U. S. FORCES,  
GALVESTON, TEXAS, June 19, 1865.  
By Order of  
G. GRANGER, Major General Commanding.

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When they cannot carry it to the same Officer a full report of persons not complying with this order, with names, North as Prisoners of War, for imprisonment, violence, such as banding, red outlaws, and

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JUNE 19<sup>TH</sup>

