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PLUMBING RULES TO BE ENFORCED

Regulations Will not Be Rescinded By Board of Health.

ARE CONSIDERED NECESSARY TO THE SANITARY CONDITIONS OF HONOLULU

President Wood Says That With a Reliable Inspector in Duffy's Place Household Will Benefit By Them.

The Board of Health believes that the present plumbing regulations are a protection for the householder and will not rescind them. Dr. Wood, president of the board, stated last evening to an Advertiser representative that the members of the board had had the matter under consideration for several weeks and had concluded not to make any changes for the present.

ANGLICAN CHURCH, NEWS OF INTEREST

Ladies' Guild Will Give a Tea on November Seventeenth Next.

The Ladies' Guild of the Second Congregation, says the Anglican Church Chronicle, has decided to give an afternoon tea for the purpose of promoting sociability and securing a few dollars for the Sunday school, wherewith to buy books and papers.

THE KILOHANA AT HOME SATURDAY

Japanese Features of the Art Entertainment Will be a Drawing Card

LYING RUMOR OF POLITICAL DISCHARGES ON WATERFRONT

THE RUMOR HAS BEEN RIFE upon the street that the Oceanic Steamship Company discharged several of its dock laborers on Wednesday because they voted for Wilcox.

The Sewer System

The sewer system will be completed in the next two or three days, says Engineer Edwards, who is finishing the work for the Government begun by the contractors.

Miss Griswold's Concert.

Miss Della E. Griswold will give a concert on November 23rd at the Opera House, assisted by Paul Egry, violinist, and Frank A. Ballaseyus, solo pianist.

MORTUARY REPORT FOR OCTOBER

Table with columns: Mortuary Report for Month Ending Date, By Sex, By Nationality, By Ages, By Wards, Percentage, Causes of Death, Miscellaneous.

ORGAN FOR DEMOCRATS

Bryanites Will Buy The Republican.

THE DEAL TO BE MADE SOON

Humphreys' Paper Said to be Offered at a Low Rate to the Braves.

The Democrats of Honolulu are to have a daily paper if the desires and intentions of the local braves who possess wampum are fulfilled. It was current talk at Democratic headquarters and on the street yesterday that the Democrats will buy the Republican, a morning paper started here some months ago.

RAPID TRANSIT COMPANY PLANS

Track Will be Laid Along Wilder Avenue and Work Pushed Rapidly.

The Rapid Transit Street Railway Company will commence laying its tracks from Punahou next Monday. The tracks will be laid along Wilder avenue and thence down to the power house on Alapai street near Beretania.

POLICEMAN HURT.

Street Department Said To Be at Fault in Palama. Lieutenant Leslie of the Mounted Patrol met last night with what may yet prove a serious accident.

distance on his face and breast. He was badly bruised and cut in places and injured his legs, to what extent is not yet precisely known.

Kona Storm Predicted.

The indications now are that a "Kona storm" may be brewing, although it is rather early to look for one of these southerly gales, which are peculiar to this latitude.

PARKER'S FULL VOTE ON OAHU

Did Queen Vote for Wilcox? Colonel Soper's Views on Election.

Table showing election results for Parker and Wilcox in the 4th and 5th districts, including total votes and percentages.

WHAT THE QUEEN DID.

Yesterday's Star intimated that Li-Huokalani had favored Wilcox during the campaign and not Prince David. The Star says, "Samuel Parker, the Republican candidate against David, has been quoted as saying that the prince was thrown down and thrown down not by his own party, but by his own flesh and blood—the Queen."

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HONOLULU'S HIGH SCHOOL'S MERITS

(By Mrs. Weston Coyney.)

The chances for higher education in this favored Paradise of the Pacific have so increased of late years that today every ambitious young man and woman finds advantages awaiting them which twenty-five years ago were sighed for in vain. And these young men and women are not drawn merely from the wealth and fashion of the Islands, but from all classes down to the very humblest. As a natural result of this gradual and now universally widespread growth, Honolulu has at last evolved a number of genuine institutions of learning where almost every branch of knowledge may be thoroughly studied.

One of the foremost in the ranks today is the beautiful and stately edifice on Emma street, set in its spacious tropical surroundings, and known as the High School.

This seat of learning might with justice be called the gift of Royalty to Democracy; for it is well known to have been erected at a cost of something like ninety thousand dollars; to have been sold for the mere song of thirty thousand dollars and to be valued at this present day, at two hundred thousand dollars! Truly a royal seat of learning and a representative one for student life!

The rules of this educational institution are simple and liberal. In fact, they are hardly rules at all. Consequently, the very liberality or, one might say, the absence of ordinary regulations, has resulted in placing these young men and women, as well as the younger element in the grammar department, upon their mettle.

The means of instruction are fully up to the usual standard in the large cities. There are stores of books and elaborate apparatus and as good a working library as could be found in any institution of its class. The books comprise the different classes of literature in the following branches:

Natural Science, Philosophy, Literature, Fine Arts, Useful Arts, Fiction, Travel, History, Biography, and reference library. The first year in "reading critically," such authors as Virgil, Homer, Ruskin, Shakespeare, Browning, Irving, Longfellow, Tennyson, Whittier, Dickens, Thackeray, etc., are made familiar to the class; so that their mind are elevated as well as amused. In this way much useful knowledge is imparted for future reference. The pupils have every facility to complete the course of common school education and to prepare for a collegiate course.

The regular attendance at the High School is three hundred. That number embraces the two hundred pupils who are taking the Grammar course. The remaining hundred are the High School pupils proper.

In the third year the pupils have access to the following reference books in English: Modern English, F. Hall; The English Language, Meiklejohn; Handbook of the English Tongue, Angus;

Skeat's Etymological Dictionary; Siewer's Grammar of Old English; English Past and Present, French; Words and Their Uses, R. G. White; Every Day English, R. G. White; Dictionary of Archaisms and Provincial Words, two volumes, Halliwell. Also, a large and miscellaneous reading outside the school, embracing historical and ancient stories from the Greek, Roman, English, Persian and Modern History. Algebra is taken up in the first year and also Latin, French and German. The pupils are permitted to choose any one of the three languages best suited to their requirements, but in all other studies are required to follow the curriculum. In the case of a student displaying especial ability and aptitude, the line is stretched a bit to include a second language. The science work is most noteworthy. Drawing enters largely into the school work; both free-hand and decorative work being taught. In the senior High School year, sketching from life and landscape is taken up. Wall paper designing, borders (in color) and book covers are embraced. The full public school course covers twelve years, from primary through Grammar High School to graduation.

The building itself is quite ideal in every respect. It was designed for a private residence, it looks like a palace and it has made a model schoolhouse. The pupils take immense pride in its appearance. It follows out the modern philanthropic notions; that to educate and uplift the masses you must place only before them the correct and beautiful. In that way we eradicate and eliminate the squalid, the ugly and the incorrect, from their minds. There are seven rooms on the main floor, all with hard wood floors, polished doors and painted and gilded ceilings. Not a mark nor a mutilation disfigures the beautiful wood, be it said to the credit of these young ladies and gentlemen. To the left, as you enter the grand hall, is the library and reference room. Ascending the broad and polished staircase you come upon three more large and handsome schoolrooms and, if you please, you can step out upon a sort of roof-garden, where occasionally a class that requires neither blackboard nor text book are taken for oral instruction. Just think what the children in overcrowded and over-heated schoolrooms in the States would say to a roof-garden-class! And the view is beautiful, the breezes entrancing! Here also is a luncheon room for the young ladies. On the floor above are three more rooms equally attractive in their way, where Latin, French and German, are taught. The faculty is an able one, and needs no special mention; being thoroughly well known. It is a charming, eager, ambitious community that floods these corridors and sweeps through the magnolia, azalea, and hibiscus scented grounds at the ring of the inevitable bell. Student life, which broadens and freshens with each successive year, is well worth watching with the flow and ebb of its variety. This great school is destined to play an important part in the future history of Honolulu.

MR. DOOLEY ON AMERICAN STAGE

"I've never been much iv a hand fr th' theatre," said Mr. Dooley. "Whin I was a young man an' Crosby's opry house was r-runnin', I used to go down want in a while an' see Jawn Dillon throwin' things around fr th' amusement iv th' popylace, an' whin Shakespeare was played I often had a seat in th' gal'ry, not because I liked th' actin', d'ye mind, but because I'd often heard me frind Hogan speak iv Shakespeare. He was a good man, that Shakespeare, but his pieces is full iv ol' gags that I heard whin I was a boy. Th' trouble with me about goin' to plays is that no matter where I set I cud see some hired man in his shirt sleeves argyin' with wan iv his frinds about a dog fight while Romeo was makin' th' kind iv love ye wudden't want ye'er daughter to hear to Juliet in th' little burrd cage they calls a balcony. I mus've been because I want knowed a man be th' name iv Gallagher that was a scene painter that I cud niver get meself to th' pint iv conceedin' that th' mountain that other people agreed was many miles in th' distance was in no danger iv bein' rubbed off th' map be th' coat-tails iv wan iv th' principal characters. An' I always had me watch out to time th' moon whin 'twas shoved across th' sky an' th' record-breakin' iv day in th' robbers' cave where th' robbers don't dare fr to step on a rock fr fear they'll cave in. If day iver broke on th' level th' way it does on th' stage, 'twud tear th' bastin' threads out iv what Hogan calls th' firmymint. Hogan says I haven't got th' dramatic delusion, an' he must be r-right, fr ye can't make me believe that twenty years has elapsed whin I know that I've only had time to pass th' time iv day with th' bartunder nex' dure."

"Plays is upside down, Hinnessy, an' inside out. They begin with a full statement iv what's goin' to happen an' how it's goin' to come out, an' th' whin ye're asked to frigit what ye heard an' be surprised be th' outcome. I always feel like goin' to th' box office an' gettin' me money or me lithograph pass back after th' first act."

"Th' way to write a play is fr to take a book an' write it over hindend foremost. They're puttin' an books on the stage nowadays. Fox's 'Book iv Martyrs' has been done into a three-act farce comedy an' 'll be projoiced be Della Fox, th' auther, nex' summer. Webster's 'Onabridge Ditchery' will be brought out as a society drama with eight hundred thousan' char-akters. Th' 'Constitution iv th' United States' (a farce) be Willum McKinley, is r-runnin' to packed houses with th' cillybrated thraedeean Aggyndoo as th' villain. In th' sixteenth scene in th' last act they're a nazyer lynchin' James H. Wilson, th' auther iv 'Shio an' Enslage' a story fr boys, is drammatizin' his cillybrated 'vurruk an' will follow it with a dramatic version iv 'Sugar Beet Culture,' a farm play. Th' 'Familiar' Lies iv Li Hung Chang' is explected to do well in th' provinces. An' Hostetter's 'Alamnac' has all dates filed. I understand th' Bible 'll be r-ready fr th' stage under th' direction iv Einstein an' Opperman before th' first iv th' year. Some changes has been nissyry fr to adapt it to stage purposes, I see be th' pa-pers. Th' au-

thors has become con-vinced that Adam an' Eve must be carrid through th' whole play. So they have considerably jessened th' time between th' creation an' th' flood, an' have made Adam an English nobleman with a shady past an' th' Divvie a Fr-rinch count in love with Eve. They're rescued be Noah, th' faithful boatman, who has a comic naygur son."

"I see be th' pa-papir th' stage is goin' to th' does what with its Sappho's an' th' like iv that," said Mr. Hennessy.

"Well, it isn't what is used to be," said Mr. Dooley. "In th' days whin 'twas th' purpose iv th' hero to save th' honest girl fr th' clutches iv th' villain in time to go out with him an' have a shell iv beer at th' Dutchman's downstairs. In th' plays nowadays th' hero is more iv a villain than th' villain himself. He's th' sort iv a man that we used to heave pavin' sthones at whin he came out iv th' stage dure iv th' Halsted street opry house. To be a hero ye've first got to be an Englishman, an' as if that wasn't bad enough ye've got to have committed as many crimes as th' late H. H. Holmes. If he'd been born in England he'd be a hero. Ye marry a woman who swears an' dhrinks and bets on th' races an' ye quarrel with her. Th' r-rest iv th' play is made up iv hard cracks be all th' char-akters at each others' morals. This is called repartee be th' larned, an' Hogan. Repartee is where I say: 'Ye stole a horse,' and ye say: 'But think iv ye'er wife!' In Ar-rchey r-road 'tis called disord'ly conduct. They's another play on where a man r-runs off with a woman that's no better th' thin she ought to be. He hates her an' she marries a burglar. Another wan is about a lady that ates dinner with a German. He bites her an' she hits him with a cabbage. Thin they's a play about an English gentleman iv th' ol' school who thriks to make a girl write a letter fr him an' if she don't he'll tell on her. He doesn't tell an' so she's rewarded be marryin' th' heroine, an' honest English girl out fr th' money."

"Nobody's marrid in th' modern play. Hinnessy, an' that's a good thing, too, fr anny wan that got marrid wud have th' worst iv it. In th' ol' times th' la-ads that announces what's goin' to happen in th' first act always promised ye a happy maredge in th' end, an' as iv everybody's lookin' fr a happy maredge that held th' audience. Now ye know that th' hero with th' wretched past is goin' to elope with th' dhrunken lady, an' th' play is goin' to end with th' couples prettily divorced in th' centre of th' stage. 'Tis called real life, an' mebbe that's what it is, but fr me I don't want to see real life on th' stage. I can see that anny day. What I want is fr th' spotless gentleman to saw th' la-ud with th' cigareet into two-be-fours an' marry th' lady that doesn't dhrink much while the audience is puttin' on their hats."

"Why don't they play Shakespeare anny more?" Mr. Hennessy asked.

"I understand," said Mr. Dooley, "that they're goin' to drammatize Shakespeare whin th' drammatizer gets through with th' 'Report iv th' Inter-ryor Department fr 1899-1900.'"

F. P. DUNNE.

IN MEMORIAM.

"I presume you carry a memento of some kind in that locket of yours?" "Precisely; it is a lock of my husband's hair." "But your husband is still alive." "Yes; but his hair is all gone." —Tit-Bits.

FEDERAL BUILDING MAY BE ERECTED IN HONOLULU SOON

THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY of the United States will ask the next Congress to appropriate money for a Federal building for Honolulu. At the meeting of the Governor's Council yesterday morning Mr. Dole read a letter from E. A. Hitchcock, Secretary of the Interior in regard to securing land for the erection of a Federal building in this City. The Secretary stated the matter had been referred to the Secretary of the Treasury and the latter had advised the Interior Department that he would bring the matter to the attention of the next Congress.

Such a building would be used to house all officials of the United States Government.

Mr. McCandless read a letter from Manager Pain of the Hawaiian Tramways Company relative to the moving of the Alakea street tracks from their present position in order to clear a sewer manhole. Mr. Pain assured the Government that his own surveyor had gone over the matter and had come to the conclusion that the manhole, which is now located directly between the rails, might just as

well have been placed to one side and thereby have saved the company the trouble of moving its track. Despite the fact that the Government's engineer had made his own investigations and found that the needs of the public demand that the manhole should be placed where it now is, Mr. Pain takes exception to his judgment and demands that the Government take cognizance of his own opinion. Mr. Pain stated that the Government engineer had seen fit to place the manhole in the middle of the track, the Tramways Company would be obliged to the necessity of moving the rails to one side, as the manhole location would not be changed under any consideration. The Tramways Company has been notified to move its track as soon as possible.

Section 597 of the Civil Laws reads: The right to grade, sewer, pave, macadamize or otherwise improve, alter or repair the streets or highways is reserved to the Government and cannot be alienated or impaired, but such work shall be done in such a manner as to obstruct the railway as little as possible; and, if required, the grantees must shift the rails so as to avoid the obstructions made. The section makes the duty of the Tramways Company quite plain in its premises.



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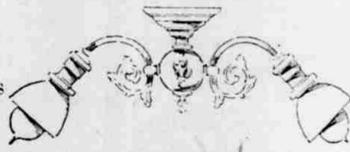
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DR. C. B. WOOD LEAVES THE BOARD TOMORROW



TOMORROW DR. CLIFFORD B. WOOD leaves the Board of Health, both as presiding officer and member. Thirty days ago he gave notice in writing that he would sever all connection he had with the Board of Health and retire again to private life.

For several months Dr. Wood has endeavored to resign as presiding officer and pressed him to remain until some other arrangement could be effected. Dr. Wood felt that the incumbent of that office should be a man who could put all his attention to the important matters which arise daily.

Dr. Wood has been a member of the Board for more than six years. He was chosen president early this year when the epidemic of plague was at its height. His knowledge of medicine coupled with splendid executive ability, showed him to be the man of the hour.

Although he was not president when the first sanitary fire in Chinatown took place, he carried out the program thus begun to the letter. In 1898 Dr. Wood, accompanied by W. O. Smith, then the Attorney General for the Republic, went to Japan and China to study sanitation.

Dr. Wood during the prevalence of plague in Honolulu. Dr. Wood leaves the Board of Health with the sincere regret of his brother-members, who have grown to consider him as the only man fit for the important duties which devolve upon a presiding officer.

we are prone to retreat before the onward march of "civilization." It is because men credit the church only with certain civilizing influences which are in reality the accidents and not the essence of missionism...

WHERE CHANGES ARE RAPID. The South American stretched himself, yawned, and sat up. "Well, how goes the government?" asked the visitor who had just entered.

AN ELECTION AFTERMATH

Good Work of the Fifth District.

WHAT THE FIGURES SAY

Senator-Elect Geo. R. Carter Writing to W. C. Achi Replies to Criticisms.

The following is a copy of a letter sent to W. C. Achi yesterday by Senator-elect George R. Carter.

Dear Sir: Since the election I have heard statements made about the Fourth District saving the day, in comparison with the good-for-nothing Fifth District, and also because some of the helpers in the Fifth District have felt it necessary to apologize for the result.

Now if the criticisms against the Fifth District are because of its overwhelming Hawaiian population, that is a matter over which we have no control, but if they are intended for the Republican workers in the Fifth District, the following facts will show that they are unwarranted and without foundation.

It is fair to assume that the Republicans and Democrats together carried all the votes other than Hawaiian. Now in the Fourth District the Republicans received 1,280 votes, or 49 per cent, and the Democrats 446 votes, or 17 per cent, and the two together 56 per cent of the whole vote cast.

I think the above method of reasoning is fair, and it shows by actual figures, which are borne out as well by the Republican vote for Senators and Representatives, that in the Fifth District the net gain from the Hawaiian vote was 29 per cent, or 583 votes, while the net gain from the native vote in the Fourth District was only 18 per cent, or 284.

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RAWS.—There has been a decline of 1-8c per pound in raw sugars on the spot, bringing quotations to 4 5-8c for 96 degree test centrifugals. At the same time centrifugals for arrival have sold at a further reduction to 2 3-4c, c. and f., being parity of 4 7-16c duty paid and beet sugars at parity of 4 3-4c.

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FRIDAY NOVEMBER 9

The statement is published elsewhere herewith from Mr. W. M. Giffard, manager of W. G. Irwin & Company, denying that any wharf laborers had been discharged for voting for Wilcox.

Considerable space is devoted to football in the November number of Caspar Whitney's magazine, "Outing," articles from the pens of such well known authorities as Walter Camp, Percy Haughton and George H. Brooke being given prominence.

In view of the increasing number of suggestions, not only from the press, but from responsible political bodies in California and elsewhere, that Hawaii be made a dumping ground for the lepers of the United States, we suggest the advisability of the Chambers of Commerce of Honolulu and Hilo taking some action in the matter and passing resolutions of protest, which shall be forwarded to other Chambers of Commerce in the States, and to the authorities in California and at Washington.

THE PLUMBING TRUST AGAIN.

At the last meeting of the Board of Health, Doctor Pratt, the then Sanitary Inspector, reported that the schools of the city, both public and private, were in bad sanitary condition; that these conditions had been remedied to some extent but that the Board of Education was unable to complete the necessary repairs and changes, because they could not obtain the necessary plumbing material except through master plumbers and their charges were so high that the amount of money available in the appropriation was insufficient.

Here stands an indictment which should bring the execration of the community upon the business houses in this town who, having plumbing supplies for sale, refuse to sell them to anyone except the master plumbers. It is well known that insanitary closets are the most fertile source of disease and death.

It is equally well known that children are more susceptible to infection by disease germs than are adults. We are faced with the situation, then, that the dealers in plumbing goods in this town, by illegally refusing to sell plumbing material to the Board of Education, are preventing the Board from placing its schools in decent sanitary condition.

We are faced with the fact that today the children of this city are being subjected to insanitary conditions which may bring disease and death among them, for the sole reason that a few business concerns have thought it good policy to form a close corporation monopoly and sell their goods only through the plumbing fraternity, who in turn charge such extortionate prices that it places the work beyond the reach of both private citizens and public bodies.

How will a member of the plumbing trust feel if his child happens to be the one who falls a victim to typhoid fever or diphtheria? Will he consider that the small amount of additional money which he has made by going into the plumbing trust will compensate him for the life of his child?

The plumbing trust inquiry does not grow less by lapse of time. Each day brings forth some additional phase of its viciousness; but this last development, by which the lives of the children of this community are being daily jeopardized, is simply infamous.

NATURALIZED CHINESE.

A most remarkable ruling has been made by the Solicitor of the Treasury concerning the status of naturalized Hawaiian Chinese, in which he takes the position that such a man is not a citizen of the United States. It is difficult to understand how the Solicitor of the Treasury could have arrived at this position. The Territorial Act declares that all Hawaiian citizens are citizens of the United States. "Hawaiian citizens" includes not only those native born but those theretofore naturalized under Hawaiian law. There is no exception made against the Chinese. Those who were naturalized under Hawaiian law are just as much Hawaiian citizens as are English and Germans who were naturalized, and those native born. They are recognized and treated here as American citizens by all officials. More than a hundred of them registered and voted at the first American election held on last Tuesday.

In the interests of fair play, such an important question as this ought not to be left to the decision of a single subordinate official. It is to be hoped that an early case can be made up which shall receive judicial interpretation of the standing of this class of our citizens.

Ruskin on the Bicycle.

This is what John Ruskin thought of the bicycle: "Some time since I put myself on record as an antagonist of the devil's own toy, the bicycle. I want to reiterate, with all the emphasis of strong language, that I condemn in manner of bl. tri, and 4, 5, 6, or 7 cycles. Any contrivance or invention intended to supersede the use of human feet on God's own ground is damnable. Walking, running, leaping and dancing are legitimate and natural uses of the body, and every attempt to stride on stilts, dangle on ropes or lunge on wheels is an affront to the mighty. You can't improve on God's appointed way of walking by substituting an improved cart wheel."

OF CURRENT INTEREST.

U. S. Sanction Boy Sleep Walker.

"There's something just now up in our town," said a Geneva, N. Y., man, to an interviewer, recently, "that furnishes more excitement than politics. That something is a sixteen year old boy somnambulist, and the Flint Creekers believe he is the champion sleep-walker of the world. This youngster has been walking in his sleep since early childhood. His parents have often seen him take spoons and forks from the dining table and put them in ash barrels, and he has been known to go to the barn and take a harness to pieces and conceal the various parts. When he was eight years old he was found at 2 o'clock one morning sleeping under a tree in the yard of his parents' home. Not long since the lad's father was building a new barn, and when the carpenters stopped work they left a large wooden mallet on a cross-piece forty feet or more from the ground. At the supper table that night the boy's father remarked that he might blow down and hurt some one. That night some country people returning from a dance saw a white-robed figure climbing a ladder leading to the staging around the new barn. The boy reached the top, and, having lit himself, walked upon a cross-piece high back, and, together with the mallet, returned to the ground without ever waking. The next morning he knew nothing of his night's adventures."

Wyoming for McKinley.

Governor DeForest Richards, of Wyoming, is confident that his State will swing into line for McKinley in November. Four years ago the electoral vote of Wyoming went to Bryan. "Two years ago," says Governor Richards in a letter received by a friend of his in Carbonade, Ill., "I, together with the entire State ticket, thoroughly canvassed the States, squarely drawing the issue between the gold standard and free silver, and after a most determined campaign we carried the State and broke the backbone of the free silver movement in the Rocky mountain district of our country. The effect of our victory of two years ago has been felt to a marked degree by our neighbors. I confidently believe that Kansas, Idaho and Washington will change their vote from Bryan to McKinley, with every prospect of Colorado and Utah doing the same thing."

Souvenir Palace Slippers

One American who returned from Europe this fall exhibited a novel souvenir of her travels. It consisted of a pair of enormous felt slippers that the visitor had been obliged to don before setting foot upon the floors of the most famous palaces. They are so big and shapely, it is all an American can do to keep them on. Walking in them is impossible. Scuffling, sliding and shuffling are her only means of locomotion when so shod. The American who succeeded in bringing home a pair of the shoes as souvenirs did so only by means of a heavy bribe and the exercise of much diplomacy. The palace guards as a rule would never dream of parting with the things so precious to the polish of his floors.

seems to be the Right Sort.

Young John D. Rockefeller, in his address to a Bible class in Tarrytown the other day, told his hearers that there were a good many things better than money in this world, and that one of them was work. He said he had learned this fact by cutting wood and crushing stone at fifteen cents an hour. He recalled that when he was in college his most intimate companions were men who worked their way by laundry work and doing janitor's duty. One of them was taken sick and went to the hospital. When he came out young Rockefeller wanted to share part of his heavy expenses. He declined, saying if he could not pay his own way through college he would go home and work till he could.

Nothing to Learn

A surgeon from the West reached New York a few weeks ago to take what is styled a hospital course. The practitioner with pill and scalpel falls behind, remarks Victor Smith, in telling the story in the Press, unless he occasionally visits New York to learn new devices, fakes and methods. This surgeon went to Bellevue hospital one morning to see an operation performed for the cure of hare-lip and left town next day, saying: "What's the use of wasting time? There's nothing for me to learn at Bellevue. Only a lot of green boys over there practicing on stiffs and mutilating the unfortunate victims of disease and poverty."

Martinetti's Latest Marital Deal.

People who saw Actress Carrie Radcliffe in the audience at the New York theater the other night wondered at the generous applause she bestowed on ignacio Martinetti every time that comedian appeared. In view of the fact that they were married secretly last Monday, Miss Radcliffe's enthusiasm is excusable. This is Martinetti's third matrimonial venture. Prior to Miss Radcliffe, Flo Irwin—sister of May—was Mrs. Martinetti. Before Flo Irwin—but, as a cynical correspondent puts it, that's too far back.

A Notable Change.

More than 20 per cent of the men discharged from the service of the New York Central Railroad Company twenty years ago were dropped from the rolls for drunkenness. Now, however, with 30,000 men in the employ of the company, less than 1 per cent of their situations is overindulgence in liquor. This change is said to be largely due to the beneficial influence of the railroad department of the Young Men's Christian Association.

Dr. Martin's View of It.

Rey. Dr. W. A. P. Martin, the venerable president of the Imperial University at Peking, and for fifty years a resident of China, believes that China must be partitioned among the powers. This solemn judgment is followed by a postscript, which humorously says: "The new Imperial University, of which I have the honor to be president, is occupied as a barracks by Russian troops. It is likely to share the fate of the Manchu dynasty."

A Dog Dope Fiend.

Dr. J. W. Snow, of Atlantic City, has an Irish setter dog which was recently run over and badly mangled. Feeling sure that the animal would die the doctor began to experiment on it with morphine. To his surprise the setter is slowly recovering, but meantime has apparently become a confirmed morphine fiend, showing the same symptoms when denied the drug for any length of time as are exhibited by the human victim.

Due to Volcanic Action.

According to the views of a British sea captain, who was in the Gulf of Mexico during the Galveston tempest, the disturbance was partly volcanic.

ODD THEORY OF WIRELESS SYSTEM

Scientist Believes Electricity Goes Through Earth Not Air.

According to the daily press, M. Willot, of the French telegraph department, who is the inventor of various telegraphic and telephonic devices, maintains that it is the earth and not the air through which signals are transmitted in the Marconi system of wireless telegraphy, says the Boston Transcript: "The fact that neither the roundness of the earth's surface nor intervening hills intercepts the signals suggested to him the question whether the matter telegraphed left the masts at the top or bottom. He conjectured that it left at the bottom, especially as the signaling is not affected by wind or fog, and is improved by giving the masts good electric connection with the earth. His theory involves communicating through the geological beds in which the earth's electricity has the same tension, the idea being that any disturbance at any one point in the same electric level creates what naturally would be called a swell in the whole level, leaving the higher and lower strata comparatively undisturbed. M. Willot proposes to tap these levels, boring shafts and measuring electrical tensions with the electroscopie. The French telegraph department has appointed a committee to sink shafts to ascertain the distribution of the electric levels."

The same idea is suggested in an editorial in the Electrical World and Engineer (September 22), in which the writer says:

"It is wonderful how much seems to depend upon the earth in the Hertzian-wave telegraphy. It is common belief that the earth has little or nothing to do with the matter, and that the air or upper world of ether is all-important. On the other hand, however, it is now recognized, that transmission can be carried considerably further over the ocean than over the land, and it is believed that the difference is due to the higher conductivity of sea water. It is even stated that on land the dryness or dampness of the soil noticeably influences the transmission, and apparently from the same cause."

"It is stated that Hertzian-wave telegraphy has been a failure in South Africa during the recent war, owing to the general prevalence of bad earth. Not only is good earth in the technical sense difficult to secure, but the long desert plains are most unfavorable to the transmission of electric waves. What is ideally needed for their transmission is a highly conducting level surface over which the waves may run without absorption, being continually reflected. In the absence of such an electric mirror, the waves tumble into the earth and become absorbed, as well as dispersed."

"All these conditions seem to point to the ocean as the future scene of utilization of Hertzian-wave telegraphy. On land we can ordinarily hang or bury our wires and be content. At sea we are unable to maintain metallic communication, and where the ocean begins the opportunity of wireless telegraph begins also. It is to be hoped that the day may not be far distant when the lighthouses along our coasts will also be Hertzian-wave houses, and issue signals day and night to the shipping within fifty miles' radius. The steamer's mast will then have two functions left, one to hold up flags and the other to hold the antennae."

NEWS OF WORLD CONDENSED

Entertainments in New York will be on a very lavish scale this winter.

Cecil Rhodes, according to a special dispatch from Cape Town, is ill with fever. A new "Schlatter" has appeared in San Francisco and is making money out of the credulous.

General Haywood's opinion is that 10,000 men should comprise the Marine Corps in order to meet all demands upon it.

The Assistant Secretary of the Treasury has decided that a cow and calf are household effects and as such are entitled to importation free of duty.

William Waldorf Astor wins new unpopularity by applying for permission to close a much-used footpath in his Cliveden estate on the banks of the Thames.

Minister Conger has preferred charges of cowardice against Captain Newt T. Hall, U. S. M. C. the second in command of the marine force at Peking during the siege.

Frank Groskate, a lad of 7, residing in San Francisco, was struck on the head by a falling scantling and his skull was fractured. Trephining was resorted to. The boy may recover.

Col. Chas. B. Wagner, personal friend of Abraham Lincoln, and who guarded the house to which he was carried after being shot by Wilkes Booth, died at Alameda at the age of 75 years.

Emperor William has ordered Prof. Begas to make His Majesty's own marble statue for the new Hall of Glories in Barmen, where statues of the Emperor's ancestors are already placed.

Dickens' house in Tavistock Square, where the novelist lived nine years, entertained celebrities of the day, and the place where he wrote "Bleak House" and other works, has been demolished.

The charges of cowardice preferred by Minister Conger against Captain Newt T. Hall, U. S. M. C., the second in command of the marine force at Peking during the siege, have been declared to be groundless.

W. S. Robson, one of the most extensive cotton planters of Texas, has gathered statistics from the Brazos and Colorado valleys. He declares the boll weevil has destroyed \$6,000,000 worth of this year's cotton.

Paymaster General Bates reported to the Secretary of War that during the year ended June 30, 1900, he paid to the Army, regular and volunteer, \$36,556,600; on the emergency fund to disband the Cuban army, \$1,642,550.

Though John Sherman did not designate anyone to be his biographer it is supposed that Henry C. Hedges, chairman of the speakers' bureau at the National Republican headquarters at Chicago, will be chosen.

A dispatch from New York, October 29, stated that terrific and fatal explosions of chemicals shook New York like an earthquake. A seven-story drug store was hurled into the air, leaving many dead in the ruins. Two blocks of buildings were set on fire.

The Valencia, which sailed from Nome on October 16, had on board Alexander McKenzie, receiver of the Nome gold properties, as a prisoner. The Nome citizens went wild with joy over his arrest. He was forced to surrender the gold dust in his possession.

The grain shortage in Russia is not confined to the eastern provinces and Siberia. The provinces richest in cereals are actually suffering on account of poor harvests. Grain is forwarded abroad of other merchandise, and grain railway rates have been reduced.

Edouard de Reszke, Scotti, the baritone, Mme. Nordica and Susan Strong arrived from Europe in New York on October 27. Their manager, Maurice Grau, crossed with them and seventy members of the company. Madame Melba and L'Aquilaire arrived on the French steamer.

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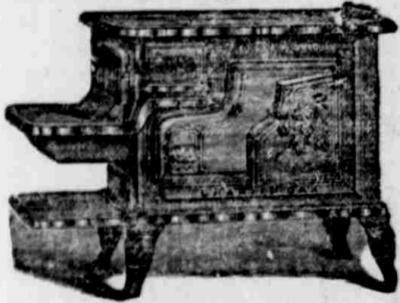
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MORRO'S KEEPER'S TALE

Translation of Curious Account of the Sea Fight by Eye-Witness of it.

Albert P. Wright, one of Roosevelt's Rough Riders, and the first man of the army to hoist the flag on Cuban soil, who is on his way to Manila on board the United States transport Port Stephens, now in this port, has in his possession a curious translation of the report made to the Spanish Government by the lighthouse-keeper at El Morro, Santiago de Cuba, concerning the naval engagement between the American and Spanish fleets.

This is a Spanish version of the affair, and has never before been published in the English language. Wright got hold of a copy of the report while he was in Cuba with the Rough Riders. He had a translation made of it by one Robert de Choudens.

The Morro lighthouse-keeper, Luis Lopez by name, prefaced his report with an account of the troops stationed at Morro Castle and also went into details concerning the sinking of the Merrimac. The following is an exact copy of the original report as translated by the above mentioned de Choudens. Those familiar with the story of the fight off Morro Castle will be able to detect various misstatements made by the Spaniard in his report:

Troops Stationed at Morro Castle—The troops stationed at Morro Castle numbered 225 soldiers, 109 of these belonging to the Second Battalion of Cuba and 125 between artillerymen, guerrillas and from the Engineers' Corps. The commander of the battery was Col. Ordonez and under him were two lieutenants, named respectively, Aguirre and Sanchez, both of whom were wounded in the first encounter. Lieut. Sanchez was afterwards sent to Punta Gorda battery with six artillerymen and four marines from the Reina Mercedes. The Socapa battery was manned by two officers, one sergeant and marines from the Reina Mercedes and six artillerymen. On the 6th of June four artillerymen were killed in the Socapa battery, one of them disappearing so completely that the only vestige of him next day was a leg. There were present at the Morro two lieutenants and four marines more from the Reina Mercedes, who helped the lighthouse-keeper in the Signal Service. At the torpedo station on the beach were two officers and six marines from the Reina Mercedes, to whom the movements of the American fleet were communicated by telephone from above.

Account of the Fight—On the 17th of May two steamers were sighted twelve miles from shore or, better said, from the Morro, one of which fired. One of the steamers was the San Luis. The Morro was not able to answer the fire at the time, as the only mounted gun was not ready for use. The next day, the 18th, the two steamers came to within two miles from the Morro and appeared to be taking up the cable. One of the lieutenants of the Morro two lieutenants and four marines more from the Reina Mercedes, who helped the lighthouse-keeper, asked him what he thought of the steamers' movements. After looking through his glasses, the lighthouse-keeper replied that they were taking up the cable. The officer reported same to Major Ros, who came to inspect for himself, and said: "We will fire on them, as those are the only orders I have." They could only fire two rounds, as after that the only gun mounted became useless. The steamers answered with more than 100 rounds, which were counted by Major Ros. Some of the shots damaged the semaphore signal and one shell entered the house occupied by Lieut. Quintana, which, had it exploded, would have killed three officers who were there at the time. All the troops got under cover, the only ones remaining being Major Ros, the lighthouse-keeper and one officer and

A FISH EXPERT TO BE SENT HERE BY THE GOVERNMENT

Will Investigate Island Resources and Correct Abuses.

BY JANUARY 1, 1901, there is a possibility of an expert from the United States Fisheries Commission being sent here from Washington to investigate the fishing resources of the Islands.

Secretary of the Territory Cooper received in the last mail a letter from the Fish Commission informing him that although this investigation was contemplated, the Department had formed no definite plans. The letter intimates that a reply to Mr. Cooper's letter forwarded from here in August had been answered to the Department of the Interior. If the Interior Department forwarded the communication Mr. Cooper failed to receive it.

Mr. Cooper feels quite encouraged by the Department's reply. He feels that the present methods of the Japanese and Chinese fishermen will be frowned down upon by the Federal authorities and that measures will be promulgated to protect the fish preserves from wanton destruction. The investigation proposed by the Commission also means the propagation of foreign species in these waters.

The letter reads as follows:

United States Fish and Fisheries Commission, Washington, October 24, 1900.

The Honorable Secretary of the Territory of Hawaii.

Sir: Your communication of October 9 has been received. On August 25, in reply to a letter enclosing your communication to the Department of the Interior of August 3, this Commission had the honor to address the Secretary of the Interior as follows:

"This Commission has under consideration the matter of the investigation of the fisheries and fishery resources of Hawaii with a view to making recommendations for their improvement, if possible; but the work cannot be undertaken before January 1; the matter has not taken definite form. This Commission will be pleased to communicate further on this subject with the authorities of Hawaii at a later date."

This letter has doubtless reached you by now and the Commission is not in a position to say anything more definite at present. Respectfully,
W. DE P. RAUEUIL,
Deputy Commissioner.

two marines from the Viscaya. The firing getting too hot for the officer, he ran off with his two marines, dropping his sword while jumping a wire fence and fractured his leg. On the 19th six more steamers were sighted coming directly for the port. The officers and soldiers became very much alarmed and began to disappear on seeing they did not hoist their flag, and believed them to be American. The only ones who kept their stations were Major Ros, four marines from the Reina Mercedes and the lighthouse-keeper. On approaching nearer the ships were seen to belong to the Spanish fleet, commanded by Admiral Cervera. Then everybody began to reappear and shout with glee: "Hurrah for Spain! Hurrah for Spain! Hurrah for the Spanish fleet! Hurrah for Admiral Cervera!" On the 20th of May an English steamer came towards the port and the San Luis gave her a chase as soon as she sighted her. The Englishman put on all steam to get away, but the San Luis soon got within eight miles of her and on firing a shot at her, she hoisted to and surrendered. It was believed by everybody at the Morro that some of the ships would enter the harbor in her defence as soon as they knew what was taking place, and on seeing they did not do so, for fear of the American squadron being near, all the officers and soldiers at the Morro exclaimed: "They are afraid of the enemy! Our marines are cowards!"

A powerful fleet was sighted on the 21st of May, composed of the Indiana, Iowa, New York, Brooklyn, Texas, Massachusetts, a transport carrying coal, and several others. As soon as Admiral Cervera knew of the presence of the enemy, he came to the Morro with all of the officers of his ships and was soon convinced of the strength of the American fleet and the weakness of his. The Governor of Santiago, Gen. Linares, who was also present, said to Admiral Cervera: "We cannot deny it; the American squadron is powerful."

Admiral Cervera, fearing the Americans might attempt to enter the harbor, gave orders to put his ships in line of fire with the entrance, putting the Cristobal Colon, which was the best in the fleet, directly in front of the entrance, protected by the Punta Gorda battery. For two days the ships lay in this position, and then the Indiana fired on them at 2:30 p. m., making them get back to their original anchorage. The bay was bombarded every day and the shooting was pretty accurate and effective. On the 6th of June the ships directed their fire against the harbor, the Morro, Socapa and Punta Gorda batteries. In the Morro, Col. Ordonez was wounded and killed, as well as Lieut. Teledijo and two soldiers, one from the artillery and the other from the Engineers' Corps. A shell burst in the Socapa battery, killing a corporal, four artillerymen and four marines from the Reina Mercedes. This continued until the 17th, and on the 15th the ships again opened their fire.

A shell from the Brooklyn fell on board the Reina Mercedes, killing the second commanding officer, two officers and nine marines and wounding one officer and five marines. On the 28th of June sixty vessels came into sight, bringing American troops, who were landed the next day at Dalquiri, one of the ships protecting the landing. From this date the fight continued by land and sea. El Caney, a small town, was taken on July 1st, and on the 2d General Vara del Rey was killed. At 9:30 a. m. July 2d Cervera's fleet lifted anchor, the Infanta Maria Teresa leading and commencing the fire against the Texas, which answered the fire. Those at the Morro saw one torpedo boat sink and another go on shore. The battle lasted one hour and in that hour the Spanish

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APPEAL FROM CIRCUIT JUDGE, FIRST CIRCUIT.

SUBMITTED OCTOBER 4, 1900.

DECIDED OCTOBER 29, 1900.

GALBRAITH AND PERRY, J.J., AND J. A. MAGOON, ESQ., OF THE BAR, IN PLACE OF FREAR, C.J., DISQUALIFIED.

M., being at the time grievously ill and about to die, and desiring to make a final disposition of her property either by will or by deed of trust so that said property should go to her five nephews and nieces, requested S., her most trusted friend and adviser, between whom and herself confidential relations existed, to assist her in effectuating that desire and intention. S., taking advantage of her great trust and confidence in him and fraudulently intending to obtain the absolute title to the property for himself, persuaded her to execute a deed, which he prepared, and which did not express the trust desired, by leading her to believe that he would hold the property subject to that trust and that he would carry out her desire and intention concerning the same. Held, that S. in his lifetime held the property as a trustee *ex maleficio*, and that since his death his heirs have held and now hold the same as trustees, for the use of the five nephews and nieces and a conveyance ordered accordingly.

OPINION OF THE COURT BY PERRY, J.

(J. A. Magoon, Esq., dissenting).

These proceedings were instituted on the 10th day of November, 1891, before a Justice of the Supreme Court sitting, in Chambers, as a court of equity, by Mary C. Aldrich, Helen B. King, Harriet N. Brown, Helen M. Seal, Henry S. Swinton, Charles E. S. Swinton, and Douglas K. Brown and Norman Brown, by William C. King, their next friend, complainants, against W. James Smith, respondent. The main prayer of the bill is that respondent be declared to hold certain property therein particularly described and situate in Honolulu, Oahu, as trustee for the use of certain of the complainants named. The case was tried and submitted during the month of December, 1891, and in January, 1893, the Justice before whom the trial was had resigned his office without having rendered a decision. W. Jas. Smith died on the 22d of March, 1896, and on the 15th of May of the following year a bill of revivor was filed, reciting the fact of the respondent's death and praying that Priscilla E. Hassinger, Henrietta E. Ross and Annie H. Turton, his heirs at law, be substituted in his stead as parties defendant and that the suit stand revived against them, in the same plight and condition as it was in before the death of the respondent.

In June, 1897, the cause, as revived, was submitted to a Judge of the Circuit Court of the First Circuit, who, in the month of October following, filed a decision and a decree in favor of the complainants. For certain defects in the matter of parties to the bill of revivor, that decree was reversed and the case remanded. Douglas K. Brown, too, having come of age and deeming his interests to be adverse to those of the other complainants, moved that his name be stricken from the record as that of a party plaintiff. His motion was granted, and he was subsequently made a party defendant. Other proceedings were had and finally the case, entitled as above, was again, in July of this year, argued before another Judge of the First Circuit, who also rendered a decision and signed a decree granting the relief prayed for in the original bill. The cause now comes to this court on appeal from that decree.

At this point, we wish to call attention to the fact that in the decree entered July 21, 1899, which purports to revive the original suit and to place it in the same plight and condition as it was in just prior to the death of W. Jas. Smith, the name of Charles E. S. Swinton as a party plaintiff is omitted and that of Helen M. Seal is included as a party plaintiff. This was, apparently, by an oversight, or a clerical mistake. That decree itself recites that Charles E. S. Swinton was one of the original plaintiffs; and a stipulation, dated November 24, 1891, is on file, whereby all the parties concerned agree that "the name of Helen M. Seal may be stricken from the record as that of a complainant and that her name may be added as that of a party defendant, without necessity of amending the bill of complaint, that the bill shall be considered as though it had been so amended, that a copy of the bill may be handed to the attorney in fact of said Helen M. Seal, who will accept service thereof, and that the trial of the issues herein may thereupon proceed as though no change had been made in the parties hereto." The decree of October 24, 1899, makes the title of the suit as revived the same as does that of July 21, 1899, excepting only that the name of Douglas K. Brown is added as that of a defendant. If this was in fact due merely to an oversight or clerical mistake, the decrees should be corrected by the court below.

The allegations of the original bill are, in brief, as follows: That complainants are respectively related to the late Martha C. Swinton, thus: Henry S. Swinton and Charles E. S. Swinton as brothers, Helen M. Seal as sister, Mary C. Aldrich, Helen B. King and Harriet N. Brown as nieces, and Douglas K. Brown and Norman Brown as nephews, and that these complainants are the only heirs at law of said Martha C. Swinton; that Douglas K. Brown and Norman Brown are minors; that said Martha C. Swinton was possessed in her own right, during her life of a certain piece of land described; that Martha C. Swinton died on or about August 4, 1891; that for several months prior to her death, she suffered from a malady which finally resulted in her death and which, toward the close of her life, confined her to her room and bed; that for many years past it had been and, at the time of the execution of the deed hereinafter mentioned, was the intention, desire and purpose of said Martha C. Swinton to so leave and dispose of her said property that, at her death, its beneficial ownership, use and occupancy should be secured to her nephews and nieces above mentioned, in equal parts and rights and to the exclusion of all other persons; that for many years prior to and at the time of her death, Martha C. Swinton and respondent Smith sustained friendly and confidential relations,

the one to the other, and that during all of said period said respondent was the most trusted friend and adviser of said Martha in regard to her property and business transactions; that within a few weeks of her death, Martha, realizing that her end was near and desiring and intending to arrange her property affairs in the manner above stated, summoned said respondent into conference, to advise her as to the best method of so disposing of said property as to attain said object and that in the course of the conference which then followed, said defendant advised and persuaded said Martha C. Swinton that the only safe manner in which to carry out the intention and purpose of said Martha C. Swinton to so secure to her said nieces and nephews the said property, in manner as aforesaid, was to make a conveyance thereof to said defendant, in trust for, and to the use of said nieces and nephews of said deceased; that among other reasons adduced by defendant to persuade said deceased into adopting such course as aforesaid, was the expense of probate proceedings for the establishment of a last will and testament, and the uncertainty of being able to sustain a will of said deceased in favor of her said nieces and nephews, in case of a contest thereof by the brothers and sister of said deceased above named; that in consequence of said representations to said deceased, by and on the part of said defendant, and which said deceased then and there believed, she, said deceased, was then and there induced and persuaded to execute, acknowledge and deliver the deed in question; that the respondent, being the confidential adviser as aforesaid and well knowing the desire and purpose of said Martha, seeking a selfish and fraudulent advantage in respect of said property, deceived and persuaded Martha into the belief that said deed, so executed by her, would secure to her nieces and nephews the beneficial ownership of the said property, and promised and assured Martha that he would hold said property under said deed in trust for and to the use of said nephews and nieces; that since the death of Martha said respondent has denied the trust character of said conveyance and claimed the sole legal and beneficial ownership in said property and denies that said nephews and nieces have any right, equitable or otherwise, therein; and that said deed was obtained by misrepresentation and fraud, and does not represent the wish, purpose or intent of the grantor.

The prayer is as already stated above, and, in the alternative, that respondent be ordered to convey the property to the nephews and nieces named. A general prayer of relief is also added.

Respondent in his answer admits the relationship of the parties, the minority of the two nephews, the ownership by Martha of the property mentioned, adding that it was conveyed to her by him in 1868 for no consideration other than the affection and friendship which he bore towards her; admits the facts stated in the bill concerning Martha's illness, except that he says that she was confined to her bed for only a few days; denies the truth of the averments concerning Martha's intention as to the disposal of her property; admits the existence of friendly and confidential relations between himself and Martha and the fact that he was her most trusted friend and adviser in regard to her property and business transactions; denies the truth of the allegations as to how he obtained the deed and states the facts on that subject to be these: that about three or four weeks before the death of said Martha C. Swinton, she sent for the defendant to come and talk with her about the disposition of her property in case she should not recover from the illness from which she was then suffering; that said Martha C. Swinton then and there told him that she did not want to show any partiality toward any of her relatives in the distribution of her property, and that she did not wish to leave it in such a manner that they could divide it up or dispose of it, as she desired that it might remain intact in order that they might all of them at all times have a place where they could live if they met with reverses or were unable to provide themselves with a home elsewhere. She also stated to the defendant that there were so many of them, she was afraid that unless there was some one person having control of the matter, they would get to squabbling among themselves and cause trouble; that the said Martha C. Swinton, without suggestion on the part of the defendant, stated that she had thought of making a will, but was afraid of the uncertainty of establishing a will, and thought it had better be done by deed, thus placing the property in a way that by his deed or will it might eventually go to the relatives whom he knew that she preferred should eventually possess it, in which opinion the defendant concurred. That she then told the defendant that she wanted him to act for her as the person to whom the property should be conveyed, with discretion in him to allow all or any of her relatives to use the said premises as a homestead, the reason for the exercise of such discretion being that any relative making trouble for the others living thereon at the time being, could be removed therefrom in the interest of the family peace without the legal right to refuse so to remove, and with the further object of preventing any of her said relatives from selling or otherwise disposing of said premises or using it for any other purpose than as a homestead. That he agreed to her request and prepared the deed and submitted it to her, that Martha carefully examined the same and declared that it expressed exactly what she wanted; that she never expressed to respondent any desire that her nephews and nieces should exclusively have the beneficial interest in the land but on the contrary repeatedly stated to him that she desired all the persons within the degree named to be treated alike unless respondent in his discretion should see fit to pursue a different course. Respondent further denies, in his answer, that he sought any selfish or fraudulent advantage in respect of said property, or that he deceived or persuaded said deceased into the belief that said deed so executed by her would secure to her said nieces and nephews the beneficial ownership of the property therein described, or that he promised and assured said deceased that he would hold said property under said deed in trust for and to the use of said nephews and nieces of said deceased and their heirs; that on the contrary the said deed was executed by the said deceased with full knowledge by the said Martha C. Swinton of the meaning and intent of such deed as therein expressed, and with the intent and desire on her part to dispose of the said property in manner as the same is disposed of by the said deed; and that he has sought and is now seeking solely to carry out the intent and desire of Martha as in his answer and in the deed expressed; and denies that he has at any time claimed beneficial ownership to himself personally in said property and does not now claim any such

ownership except in the event of the death of all of Martha's relatives within the second degree of consanguinity.

The instrument in question is in form an absolute deed with habendum, "to the said W. James Smith his heirs and assigns to his and their use and behoof forever." Then follows this clause: "But it is my wish that the said premises may at all times be available for a homestead or place of dwelling for any or all of my blood relations of or within the second degree of consanguinity to me in the discretion of the said W. James Smith, or of him whom he shall appoint by deed or will for the purpose. The interpretation of the degrees of consanguinity to be that given by Blackstone."

The questions which now present themselves for determination are, first, whether or not the facts and circumstances attending the execution of the deed were such as to charge the property conveyed with a constructive trust, and, second, whether or not the language of the deed itself is such as to create a precatory trust.

The contention of counsel for the present respondents is that the evidence adduced fails to show that the deed was obtained by fraud or under other circumstances such as will justify the Court in declaring that a constructive trust exists, and that the language of the deed is wholly insufficient to create a precatory trust. For the complainants, the opposite view is urged on both subjects.

Undisputed evidence shows that Martha C. Swinton was, at the time of the execution of the deed on July 28, 1891, and for at least two or three weeks prior thereto had been grievously ill. About two weeks prior to the date named she, realizing that her end was near and desiring to make a final disposition of her property, which consisted solely of the piece of land now in controversy and a few articles of personalty, sent for W. J. Smith, who, as is admitted, was her most trusted friend and adviser and between whom and herself most confidential relations existed, to assist her in carrying out her purpose. Smith called on Martha as requested and an interview followed between the two. Between the time of that first interview and the date of the execution of the deed, Smith called on Martha several times and on each of these occasions, as, likewise, at the first interview, no one else was present.

We are satisfied from the evidence that at that time it was Martha's intention and desire to make a last and final disposition of her property, testamentary in its character. Whether she then had in mind a will or a deed is not, perhaps, entirely clear, but the circumstances of the case and the respondent's own evidence furnish strong ground for believing that a will was what she first desired. She had often for a long time past and even during the period of her last illness talked of leaving her property at her death to certain persons (the question of beneficiaries will be hereafter referred to) and the usual and ordinary method of such a disposition is by will. Moreover, the evidence shows that Smith advised her against making a will because of the cost of proceedings in probate and because of the possibility of a contest by relatives not provided for in the will. There would have been no necessity for this advice if she had not suggested a will. The subject was certainly discussed to some extent. See evidence of Smith, p. 86: "Q. She spoke of the uncertainty of establishing a will? A. Yes, while the question of litigation sometimes arises there was some of her relatives who might have been living that would bring a suit in sometimes. Q. So that that question was canvassed in her mind? A. She must have been thinking it over herself, she only mentioned the will the first time and then she dropped the idea. Q. She adopted the deed then as a surer method of giving the property to those whom she preferred? A. That is the way I understood it, yes, that is what she meant."

The thought of a will, then, having been abandoned and, as we believe, by reason of the advice given by Smith, Martha, to use Smith's own words, adopted the deed as the surer method of giving the property to those whom she preferred. But had she in mind an absolute deed granting the whole beneficial as well as the legal ownership to Smith, or did she desire simply to constitute him a trustee to hold the property for the benefit of others? We believe from the evidence that the latter was the fact. The testimony adduced for the complainants shows clearly that Martha had often expressed her intention of leaving at her death the property in question to her two nephews and three nieces, and we are satisfied that it was in fact her intention to so leave it. Even after the conversation had by her with Smith at which the subject of disposal of the property was discussed, she said to Hattie Brown, one of the nieces and a credible witness, that "she wished Mr. Smith would hurry up with the deed, he kept putting it off and she was afraid it would be too late and then she went on to explain what it was for, the deed she was leaving to Mr. Smith in trust for us children," (by the "children" Martha meant, the evidence shows, her five nieces and nephews); and to Mrs. Harry Swinton, in presence of Mrs. Aldrich, she said that "she thought the place would be left all right as Mr. Smith was going to make out a deed of trust and leave it to the five children."

Smith, it is true, while on the witness stand, at times denied *in toto* that he held the legal title in any trust capacity and claimed that the deed was intended as an absolute conveyance to him, but the truth of these assertions is amply disproven by his formal answer on file herein, his other testimony in the case and by other evidence. In paragraph 7 of the answer he says, "that the said Martha C. Swinton, without suggestion on the part of the defendant, stated that she had thought of making a will, but was afraid of the uncertainty of establishing a will, and thought it had better be done by deed, thus placing the property in a way that by his deed or will it might eventually go to the relatives whom he knew that she preferred should eventually possess it, in which opinion the defendant concurred." "Well, if you must have it, I will state that it was her wish eventually that the boys named in the bill of complaint and her niece, Hattie Brown, should have the residence and that property, leaving it at my discretion to consider whether or not their conduct should deserve such a disposition of the property eventually. * * * She put it as I have put it there as near as possible. She wished it to be available for any of those there all or any at any time." Q. "Who were in that degree?" A. "Yes." Q. "And eventually it should go to those three whom you mentioned?" A. "Yes, that is a point I did not wish to speak about for fear of hurting some of their feelings."—Evidence of Smith. From the same

source: "Did you understand that that was to be conveyed to you for your own property or for you to hold as you have stated for the benefit of her relatives?" "That was her idea." * * * "In other words, she would not have made the deed in the way that she did if she had supposed that you would have devoted it to other purposes than those she wished and although she conferred upon you an absolute discretion, it was in the confidence that you would use that discretion in favor of her relatives?" A. "Of course, if she had not complete confidence in me she could not have given me complete discretion." Q. "And you encouraged her in thinking that you would so use your discretion for the benefit of her relatives?" A. "Well, I would not so encourage her when I had very little to say about the matter, it was done in a very short time." Q. "You allowed her to think that you did nothing to dissuade her from that idea, not for your own benefit, for the benefit of those whom she said?" A. "Well, I think that was the idea." Q. "So that at the time of making this deed to you, she did not believe and you did not give her to believe that you were seeking your own profit or that you would take advantage of the absolute character of the deed, in order to use the property for your own use?" A. "I don't think that she thought or dreamt it."

The clause quoted above as being tacked on to the habendum, whether or not it is sufficient in itself to constitute a precatory trust, is certainly strong corroborative evidence that it was the desire and intention of Martha that the grantee should hold the property subject to a trust of some sort.

Upon this and all the other evidence in the case, then, we believe and find that it was the desire and intention of Martha at the time she asked Smith's assistance in the drawing up of the necessary instrument, that the whole beneficial ownership in the property should pass to her five nephews and nieces and that the instrument to be drawn up should be but the means of accomplishing that object. Smith's statement that Martha wished to make the two nephews and Hattie Brown the sole beneficiaries to the exclusion of the two other nieces, we think was correctly accounted for by Circuit Judge Carter on the theory that it was inspired by hostility towards the two nieces because of the active part taken by them in bringing these proceedings.

The fact that Martha on one or more occasions said that she would leave the property to the children "as a homestead," does not necessarily show that she intended for them a life estate only. If that had been her intention she would have made some provision as to how the remainder was to be disposed of. No mention of any such remainder, or provision, concerning the same was ever made by her. Moreover, where she did contemplate provision for life only, she said so distinctly, as in the case of Capt. J. H. Brown. We believe on all the evidence that she did not intend to limit the estate of the five for life.

Returning now to the subject of the drawing of the deed, we find that Smith delayed about a week after his conversation with Martha above referred to and finally on the 28th of July, 1891, produced the instrument. Martha, after reading it over, said: "What made you do it that way?" to which Smith replied, "That's the best way to do it, so that there shall be no quarreling," or words to that effect. Martha then signed the deed, and about ten or fifteen minutes later acknowledged it before a notary. We believe from the evidence that the deed was executed in the belief, on Martha's part, that in that way would her will concerning the property as above stated be accomplished and in the full confidence that Smith would faithfully carry out her wishes; further, that Smith led her to believe that if she signed the deed as drawn he would see to it that the property did go in accordance with her wishes, to her five nephews and nieces, that but for his interference and advice she would have disposed of her property either by will or by deed unmistakably defining the trust desired, and that Smith, in advising her as he did and in obtaining the deed as it now stands, acted mala fide and with the fraudulent intention to secure to himself the absolute title to the land.

It would be against conscience to permit Smith or his heirs to retain the advantage thus gained. Under circumstances such as these, equity regards the grantee as a trustee *ex maleficio*. The constructive trust so declared is not based upon the promise itself, but arises out of the intentional fraud committed. The bill sufficiently alleges facts upon which this relief can be granted in this case.

"In general, whenever the legal title to property, real or personal, has been obtained through actual fraud, misrepresentations, concealments, or through undue influence, duress, taking advantage of one's weakness or necessities, or through any other similar means or under any other similar circumstances which render it unconscionable for the holder of the legal title to retain and enjoy the beneficial interest, equity impresses a constructive trust upon the property thus acquired in favor of the one who is truly and equitably entitled to the same, although he may never perhaps have had any legal estate therein; and a court of equity has jurisdiction to reach the property either in the hands of the original wrongdoer, or in the hands of any subsequent holder, until a purchaser of it in good faith and without notice acquires a higher right, and takes the property relieved from the trust. The forms and varieties of these trusts, which are termed *ex maleficio* or *ex delicto*, are practically without limit. The principle is applied wherever it is necessary for the obtaining of complete justice, although the law may also give the remedy of damages against the wrongdoer."—2 Pom. Eq. Juris., Sec. 1053.

"A second well-settled and even common form of trusts *ex maleficio* occurs whenever a person acquires the legal title to land or other property by means of an intentionally false and fraudulent verbal promise to hold the same for a certain specified purpose—as, for example, a promise to convey the land to a designated individual, or to reconvey it to the grantor, and the like—and having thus fraudulently obtained the title, he retains, uses, and claims the property as absolutely his own, so that the whole transaction by means of which the ownership is obtained, is in fact a scheme of actual deceit. Equity regards such a person as holding the property charged with a constructive trust, and will compel him to fulfill the trust by conveying according to his engagement."—See, 1053, Ib.

See also Brown on the Stat. of Frauds, Sec. 94 et seq.; 1 Story Eq. Juris. Sec. 256; Hill on Trustees, top page 234.

"It will be observed that in all these cases there is something more than the mere receipt of the title to real estate, with a parol promise to hold it, subject to a trust. There is an interference with the owner of the property, by means of which he is induced to forego the execution by himself of his designs for the benefit of a third person, and to leave the execution to the party deluding him by a false promise, and through such false promise obtaining

title to the property. * * * The distinction is this: If A voluntarily conveys land to B, the latter having taken no measures to procure the conveyance, but accepting it, and verbally promising to hold the property in trust for C, the case falls within the statute, and chancery will not enforce the parol promise. But if A was intending to convey the land directly to C, and B interposed and advised A not to convey directly to C, but to convey to him, promising, if A would do so, he, B, would hold the land in trust for C, chancery will lend its aid to enforce the trust, upon the ground that B obtained the title by fraud and imposition upon A. The distinction may seem nice, but it is well established. In the one case B has had no agency in procuring the conveyance to himself. In the other he has had an active and fraudulent agency. In the one case he has done nothing to prevent a conveyance to the intended beneficiary. In the other he has, by false promises, diverted to himself a conveyance about to be made to another."—*Lantry v. Lantry*, 51 Ill. 464-466.

See also *Larmon v. Knight*, 140 Ill. 232; *Dowd v. Tucker*, 41 Conn. 197, 198, 205; *Fischbeck v. Gross*, 112 Ill. 208, 214; *Hooker v. Axford*, 33 Mich. 452, 456; *Barrow v. Greenough*, 3 Vesey Jr. 151, 154; and *Giffen v. Taylor*, 139 Ind. 373.

Some of the cases seem to go to the extent of holding that even where the promise to hold for the benefit of another, or to convey to another, is made in good faith, if the grantee thereafter declines to carry out his agreement, equity will grant relief by declaring the grantee a trustee; but we need not now pass upon that question.

Hattie Brown, one of the nieces, died after the trial and prior to the filing of the bill of revivor. The record fails to show who her heirs are.

In view of the conclusion we have reached on the subject of the constructive trust, it becomes unnecessary for us to consider the question of a precatory trust.

In our opinion, Priscilla E. Hassinger, Annie H. Turton and Henrietta E. Ross, the heirs of W. James Smith, deceased, should be declared trustees of the property described in the deed under consideration for the use of Mary C. Aldrich, Helen B. King, Norman Brown and Douglas K. Brown, and other, if any, the heirs of Harriet N. Brown, and should be ordered to convey the said property by a good and sufficient deed to said beneficiaries.

The case is remanded to the Circuit Judge of the First Circuit, with instructions to correct, in the particulars above specified, the decrees reviving the original cause, if it be found that such decrees were in fact erroneous in those respects, to ascertain who the heirs of Harriet N. Brown are, and to enter a decree in accordance with the foregoing views.

Kinney, Ballou & McClunahan and *H. A. Bigelow* for complainants.

Robertson & Wilder for Henrietta E. Ross.

W. O. Smith and A. Lewis, Jr., for Priscilla E. Hassinger and Annie H. Turton.

No appearance of or for D. K. Brown.

DISSENTING OPINION OF J. ALFRED MAGOON, ESQ.

I am unable to concur in the opinion of the Court. Were I not satisfied that the defendants should prevail in this case a difficulty presents itself which cannot be overcome on this appeal as the case now stands.

The original plaintiffs were Mary C. Aldrich, Helen B. King, Harriet N. Brown, Henry S. Swinton, Charles E. S. Swinton, Helen M. Seal and Norman Brown, and Douglas K. Brown, by their next friend W. C. King.

Henry S. Swinton has practically disclaimed in his testimony, and it is perhaps immaterial as to him whether he is party plaintiff or defendant. Helen M. Seal, by stipulation, was made party defendant, but an order of the Court signed October 24th, 1899, contains the following—"said suit shall hereafter be entitled Mary C. Aldrich, Helen B. King, Henry S. Swinton, Helen M. Seal and Norman Brown by W. C. King, his next friend, vs. Priscilla E. Hassinger, Annie M. Turton and Henrietta E. Ross and Douglas K. Brown." It will be observed that Mrs. Seal is still improperly joined as party plaintiff and that Charles E. S. Swinton and Hattie K. Brown by the same order are left out of the case entirely with nothing on the record to show the reason therefor. The interests of Charles E. S. Swinton are directly opposed to those of Mary C. Aldrich, Helen B. King, Norman Brown and Harriet N. Brown, and he should not be a party plaintiff in this action as he has not now and never has had independent counsel herein, and has not personally made any appearance in the case. While it is not necessary that a party plaintiff having interests adverse to the other plaintiffs should in equity be a defendant; (1 Pom. Eq. Jur. p. 98) it is essential that the record show that he is represented, if he be made a party plaintiff, but no attorney can represent conflicting interests in a case.

"An attorney cannot accept employment from adverse litigants at the same time and in the same controversy, though his intentions and motives are honest. The rule is a rigid one and designed, not alone to prevent the dishonest practitioner from fraudulent conduct, but as well, to preclude the honest practitioner from putting himself in a position where he may be required to choose between conflicting duties, or be led to an attempt to reconcile conflicting interests rather than to enforce to their full extent the rights and interests which he should alone represent."

Strong v. International Building Loan & Investment Union, 82 Ill. App. 426 and see *Weeks on Attorneys* p. 548, 15 Ency. Pld. & Pr. p. 584. It is a familiar rule of equity that all persons materially interested in the event of the suit, must be made parties. This confusion with reference to the parties and their appearance is, in all probability, due to the fact that this litigation has been before the Courts, in one way or another, since 1891, and many different counsel have appeared in the case. As I desire that no misunderstanding shall arise with reference to what I have above stated, I will say that no reflection of any kind is directed against counsel in the case, either for the real plaintiffs or the defendants, for nothing could be more honorable than their conduct in their most able presentation of this case.

Counsel for Mrs. Aldrich, Mrs. King, Harriet N. Brown and Norman Brown, who should be the real plaintiffs in this case as it now stands, rely for relief upon two grounds. They, in the first place, contend that a precatory trust was created. While the doctrine of precatory trust is firmly established it is certainly looked upon with great disfavor. 2 Pom. Eq. Jur. Sec. 1017. The doctrine depends upon a presumption of law that a person

using words of belief, desire, will, request, wish, hope, etc., intended to give to those expressions the meaning of direction, command, etc. The doctrine is applicable to wills which are made in contemplation of death and not to deeds. In a will the testator must leave to others the execution of his wishes. He is obliged to substitute as it were the discretion of another for his own. If it is claimed that the deed in question was to serve the purpose of a will, the answer is that it was not a will, and I do not believe in extending the doctrine of precatory trust. Even though the deed created a precatory trust it would contravene the contention of the real plaintiffs. By the deed the relatives within the second degree of consanguinity would be the *cestuis que trustant*, but counsel for the real plaintiffs rely upon parol proof to establish the trust in their behalf in common with Douglas K. Brown. This is directly contrary to every principle of law and equity. It is an attempt to vary a written instrument by parol proof, which manifestly cannot be done. 1 Perry on Trusts, 3rd p. 113, in note and case there cited; *Irvine v. Sulivan*, Law Rep. 8 Eq. 673.

"When parties have deliberately put their engagements into writing, in such terms as import a legal obligation, without any uncertainty as to the object or extent of such engagements, it is conclusively presumed that the whole engagement of the parties and the extent and manner of their undertaking was reduced to writing, and all oral testimony of a previous colloquium between the parties, or of conversation or declarations at the time when it was completed or afterwards, as it would tend in many instances to substitute a new and different contract from the one which was really agreed upon, to the prejudice, possibly of one of the parties, is rejected." 1 Greenleaf Evi., 13th Ed., p. 321.

"The writing, it is true, may be read by the light of surrounding circumstances in order more perfectly to understand the intent and meaning of the parties, but as they have constituted the writing to be the only outward and visible expression of their meaning, *no other words* are to be added to it, or substituted in its stead. The duty of the court in such cases is to ascertain, not what the parties may have secretly intended, as contradistinguished from what their words express, but what is the meaning of the words they have used." Id. 322.

* * * "The rule excludes only parol evidence of the language of the parties, contradicting, varying or adding to that which is contained in the written instrument, and this because they have themselves committed to writing all which they deemed necessary to give full expression to their meaning, and because of the mischiefs which would result if verbal testimony in such cases were received." Id. p. 328.

The degrees of consanguinity should be computed according to the common law; but if it was intended to create a trust and it is uncertain under which rule the degrees are to be computed, and for this reason the deed to Smith is inoperative, the land must go to all of the heirs of Martha Swinton and not to the real plaintiffs.

The real plaintiffs in the second place, contend that in case no precatory trust was created, the facts and circumstances show a constructive trust. A constructive trust must under the circumstances in this case be established by actual fraud; there is no element of constructive fraud involved. If such a trust exists, it rests entirely upon a deliberate intent to cheat and defraud Martha Swinton when the deed was signed. To sustain this contention the evidence should be clear and convincing. 15 Am. & Eng. Ency. of Law, 1195; *Lantry v. Lantry*, 51 Ill. 458.

Instead of being convinced that there is actual fraud, I am convinced to the contrary. Counsel for the real plaintiffs state the case as strongly in their favor as it can be put. This is what they say—"Now those whom she preferred, it is perfectly clear from the evidence in the case, were the five children already mentioned, so that it seems pretty clear that at the time W. James Smith called with reference to the property Miss Swinton's idea was still as it had been for years past, that the property after her death should go to her five nephews and nieces." I cannot consent to brand a man as a scoundrel upon any such theory. That it is "*pretty clear*," according to the mind of counsel for the real plaintiffs, that Miss Swinton's idea was that the property after her death should go to her five nephews and nieces, is not sufficient. It must be *clear*. Many things might have happened between the time when she last spoke to any of her nieces and nephews in regard to the matter, and the execution of the deed, which was about one week, according to the view of the testimony most favorable to the real plaintiffs. Even if it were admitted that the testimony for the real plaintiffs in this regard be true, it would not necessarily follow that Miss Swinton had not changed her mind. She might have recognized her ingratitude towards Mr. Smith, as she saw her end approaching, and have been stricken with remorse at being the recipient of his bounty for all those twenty-three years, without recognizing him in any way at her death. She had no one who had any peculiar claims upon her but Mr. Smith. She was greatly indebted to him, and it is any wonder that she should want to return to him, when she thought she no longer had any use for it, the property which he had so generously given her. She could see that by giving it to her five nephews and nieces in all probability it would go from him forever, and why should they have it? What had they done for her to counterbalance the services and generosity of Mr. Smith, not only towards her but towards the members of her family. Under the circumstances was he not the natural object of her bounty? She had every reason to believe that, owing to the almost paternal love he had shown for her nephews and nieces, he would give the property to them or to such of them as he thought most deserving when he should no longer need it. I cannot bring myself to believe that this man who had been so good to the members of this family, had any intention in his heart to commit the fraud now attempted to be fastened upon him. It was Miss Swinton who urged the making of the deed—who represented the necessity for haste. The deed was executed in the light of day, with the full knowledge of the family. There was no attempt at concealment. Miss Swinton was in full possession of her mental faculties. It must be assumed that she was a woman of intelligence. She spoke English better than her native tongue. She took the deed and read it carefully over in the presence of at least one witness, and then, according to the statement of that witness whose testimony is relied upon by the real plaintiffs, she asked Smith, "What made you do it in this way?" A. That is the only way I can stop a row, from being a row. Q. She did not say anything? A. That is all I heard. * * * Q. Did not Miss Swinton say to Mr. Smith, I want this to go to the five

children, or anything about the children? A. No, sir. Q. Were there no words about the children whatever? A. No, sir." He kept the matter of the deed no secret. He spoke of it to Mr. Aldrich before and after it was signed. After the deed was signed he went for a notary, and it was duly acknowledged before him, as her free act and deed. It was signed July 28, 1891, and filed for record the next day, thus becoming public to the world.

The conduct of the real plaintiffs does not sustain their statements that there was to be a trust deed. They claim that it was perfectly understood, that there was to be a trust deed executed, in which they were to be the beneficiaries, yet not one of them makes any suggestion as to what it should contain. After it is executed not one of them ever inquires about it of Miss Swinton, nor makes any inquiries as to its terms. Miss Swinton herself only makes one allusion to it, according to the statement of Hattie N. Brown, who testifies that Miss Swinton said "I don't like those papers, I don't like them, but she supposed he knows best, that it will be all right, she hopes so." I cannot understand how persons who claimed almost a vested right to property should be as remiss as the plaintiffs have been in this case. After the lips of Martha Swinton were sealed so that she could not vindicate her life-long friend and benefactor from the calumny to which he is now subjected, vigorous inquiry and search begins to be made, and immediate steps were taken to establish what the real plaintiffs claim to be their rights. Why this sudden activity after, why the apathy immediately prior to Miss Swinton's death? The very language of Miss Swinton after the deed was signed as related by Hattie N. Brown if her testimony is true, should have produced immediate action. To me, the reputation of the living should not be blasted, nor the memory of the dead consigned to obloquy upon such a showing.

None of the witnesses for the plaintiffs, with the exception of Mahuna, testify to anything that took place at the time of the execution of the deed, and the alleged fraud of Smith depends entirely upon assumption. All of the witnesses for the real plaintiffs are interested, with the exception of the plaintiff Henry S. Swinton, who, in his testimony disclaims all interest, and Mahuna. Mr. Swinton's testimony is indefinite and unsatisfactory. There is nothing in the case which does not entitle Mr. Smith's testimony to as much weight as any or all of the witnesses for the real plaintiffs, and he positively and categorically denies that any misrepresentations were made by him to Miss Swinton with the circumstances strongly in his favor. A few disconnected statements of his, partly words of the lawyer addressing questions to him, with reference to what was taking place in Miss Swinton's mind as to her intentions, are apparently of great weight with the court in the establishment of a trust. The following is one of such questions, "So that at the time of making this deed to you she didn't believe, and you didn't give her to believe that you were seeking your own profit, or that you would take advantage of the absolute character of the deed in order to use the property for your own use? A. I don't think she thought or dreamt it." This question and answer must have been allowed through inadvertence. Mr. Smith could not possibly have known what was taking place in Miss Swinton's mind, excepting as indicated by her conduct and words. His answer is not evidence. The question is misleading for the reason that it embraces several propositions which do not admit of one answer. The testimony elicited under such circumstances is to my mind, entitled to no consideration.

Mr. Smith's testimony, taken as a whole, shows conclusively that the property was to be given to him and when he was through with the same, it was Miss Swinton's wish that it should go to her relatives. This, undoubtedly, was the wish of Mr. Smith also, at that time.

I fail utterly to understand how a constructive trust can be grafted upon a deed in the very teeth of the express words of the deed itself. If there is to be a trust the court might possibly supply that which is omitted from the deed, but it ought not directly violate its provisions. The trust, if any trust exists, is not limited to the five nephews and nieces, but extends to all those within the second degree of consanguinity. It would be difficult to find a clearer case of varying a written instrument by parol testimony.

The question of undue influence does not arise in this case. There is no claim that Smith persuaded Miss Swinton to give the land to him, though she had intended to give it to her nieces and nephews, that is, that he over-persuaded her to abandon her intention to give it to them, and induced her to give it to him; but the contention is that the deed was one that would carry out her wishes when he knew that it did not express her wish at all.

The real plaintiffs now ask the court to declare a trust in their favor but there is no contention that the trust as established by the opinion of the court is anything like what Miss Swinton desired. There is no provision here as to the Browns; there is no provision with reference to the different members of the family having a homestead on the premises; there is no provision for Miss Swinton herself in case she had survived; there is no trustee to control the premises and protect the plaintiffs against each other, which was certainly Miss Swinton's desire, else what would be the object of a trust deed? It is not to be presumed that Miss Swinton desired to have a trust deed just for the purpose of appointing a trustee merely with no powers; and she makes no objection when Smith replies to her "that is the only way I can stop a row." The court in this instance declares a trust which to my mind violates the intention of Miss Swinton beyond any doubt. Even Mrs. Helen B. King says of this important trust deed, "she (Miss Swinton) didn't name the proposed trustee

* * * she didn't mention the terms or any of the terms of the proposed trust." Mrs. Aldrich nullifies to a large extent all of her testimony with reference to the trust deed when she says "She told me to step in at Mr. Smith's on my way home and tell him to hurry up with the paper" and then as though she had forgotten what she was to say, she adds, "with the deed of trust." In another part of her testimony she states "I told Mr. Smith to hurry up with the papers. * * * Q. Are you sure that you used that term to Mr. Smith when you went to see him first, that your aunt wanted him to hurry up with the deed of trust? A. Yes I said a deed of trust or as she calls it or something like that, I used the words anyway. The Court: What did

you say to Mr. Smith? A. I said my aunt wants you to hurry up with the deed of trust or something like that." Such indefinite testimony tends to throw discredit upon the contention that there was to be a deed of trust rather than to support such contention. A question has arisen in this case with reference to the parents of Douglas K. Brown one of the present defendants. He claims to be the son of Martha Swinton. This issue, it seems to me, should be tried and disposed of before any decision can be given upon the merits of this case. If his contention is true it discredits entirely the testimony of the real plaintiffs in the case. If the deed contained language sufficient to create a precatory trust, and such a trust could be created by a deed, all the relatives within the second degree and not the real plaintiffs are entitled to the benefit of a decree setting aside the deed, but I have in this opinion given my reasons why I do not consider a precatory trust was created.

I therefore respectfully dissent from the opinion of the Court.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE TERRITORY OF
HAWAII.

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1900.

HAWAII LAND COMPANY v. LION FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY.

ORIGINAL.

WONG CHOW, WONG CHEW YOU, LAM KAI CHOW
and LAM YING CHIN, partners doing business under
the firm name of YEE WO CHAN & CO. v. THE MAG-
DEBURG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

EXCEPTIONS FROM CIRCUIT COURT, FIRST CIRCUIT.

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FREAR, C.J., GALBRAITH AND PERRY, JJ.

Insured property was destroyed by fire which spread from other buildings which had been set on fire by order of the Board of Health because of infection by bubonic plague. The policy provided that the insurer should "not be liable for loss caused directly or indirectly by invasion, insurrection, riot, civil war or commotion, or military or usurped power, or by order of any civil authority; or by theft;" &c. Held,

The words "directly and indirectly" apply in the case of loss caused "by order of any civil authority" as well as in the case of loss caused "by invasion," &c.

Loss caused directly or indirectly by order of a civil authority includes loss of property destroyed by fire which has spread, unaided by any independent efficient intervening cause, from the buildings which were ordered burned. It is not confined to the loss of the particular buildings intended to be burned.

To exempt the insurer, it is not necessary that the order of the civil authority be lawful and justifiable in the particular case. It is sufficient if the civil authority may lawfully order buildings burned when necessary for purposes within the scope of its duties and in the particular case acts officially and in good faith and within the apparent scope of its powers.

Where buildings are set on fire by order of a civil authority on account of infection by plague, and loss caused by order of any civil authority is excepted but loss caused by plague is neither insured against nor excepted, the order and not the plague should be regarded as the cause of the loss within the meaning of the policy.

OPINION OF THE COURT BY FREAR, C.J.

These cases were argued together. The facts, except as to the form of the policies, are substantially the same as in the case of *Yee Wo Chan & Co. v. The Transatlantic Fire Ins. Co., ante*.

The first of these cases is a submission to this court on an agreed statement of facts and is based on a policy for \$3000 upon a building at the corner of River and Pauahi streets, several blocks from where the fire originated. The second comes up on plaintiffs' exceptions from the Circuit Court, First Circuit, and is an action on a policy for \$5000 upon the same merchandise as that covered in the other *Yee Wo Chan & Co.* case just mentioned. These cases differ from that in that the defendants rely not only on the defense of "civil commotion" as an excepted risk, which the decision in that case settles against them, but also on the exception of loss caused "by order of any civil authority," which the policy in that case did not contain. The paragraph in which these words occur is the same in each of the policies now in question and is as follows:

"This company shall not be liable for loss caused directly or indirectly by invasion, insurrection, riot, civil war or commotion, or military or usurped power, or by order of any civil authority; or by theft; or by neglect of the insured to use all reasonable means to save and preserve the property at and after a fire or when the property is endangered by fire in neighboring premises; or (unless fire ensues, and, in that event, for the damage by fire only) by explosion of any kind, or lightning; but liability for direct damage by lightning may be assumed by specific agreement hereon."

It is contended, particularly by counsel for the plaintiff in the first of these cases, that the words "directly or indirectly" do not apply to the words "by order of any civil authority," but that they apply to the preceding words only. We cannot agree with him. It is true, as argued, that the enumerated risks ending with "usurped power" may be grouped together as implying violence or lawlessness to a greater degree or as being more uncertain as to the extent of their operation than the risk next named, that is "order of any civil authority," and it is argued that this indicates a break in thought in the enumeration of these two classes of risks and affords ground for belief that the words "directly" and especially "indirectly" were intended to apply to the first class only; and yet all these risks, including the last, may be classed together as possessing certain common attributes. They are, for instance, all of a more or less public or political nature. It is true also that at first impression the repetition of the words "or by" in the last clause preceding the first semicolon would seem to indicate a break in the thought; and yet "or" would naturally be repeated before the last of a series. It is here repeated even before the next to the last. And it is as well as the word "by" is implied where not expressed before every one of the enumerated risks. The insertion or repetition or omission of these words in any particular instance is largely a matter of taste. The punctuation certainly favors the view that all these risks are classified together, for they are all separated from each other by commas at

most, and are as a whole separated from what follows by a semicolon. But a controlling consideration is that the words "directly" and "indirectly" are adverbs modifying the word "caused." This is true also of the adverbial phrases "by invasion," &c. These also modify "caused." The words "directly or indirectly" do not modify "by invasion," &c., nor was there any intention to distinguish between a direct and an indirect invasion, or direct and indirect riot, or direct and indirect order, &c. That would be absurd. The direct or indirect consequences of these are what was in mind. The "or" before "by order" connects "by invasion," &c., with "by order," not "caused directly or indirectly" with "caused" implied before "by order." Whether the words "directly or indirectly" are continued by implication after the first semicolon or not, we need not decide, but the fact that they modify "caused" which certainly is implied throughout, as well as the fact that direct and indirect damage are distinguished in the last two clauses of the paragraph, would seem to point strongly that way.

Whether the words "direct" and "indirect" are synonymous with the words "proximate" and "remote" which are so familiar in the law of cases of this class, we need not decide. Nor need we decide whether it would make any difference in this particular case if the word "indirectly" was not implied with the word "caused" before the words "by order." For, if the order of the Board of Health was the cause of the fire in this instance, was it not the direct and proximate cause? There certainly was no independent efficient intervening cause between the fire originally caused by that order and the fire which consumed the insured property. But holding, as we do, that "indirectly" is implied before the words "by order," at least makes a portion of this case clearer than it might otherwise be. For instance, in connection with the argument that the word "indirectly" does not apply to the words "by order," it is urged that the word "order" implies intention and that therefore the excepted risk was meant to apply only to cases where there was a direct intention to burn the property covered by the policy and that since the civil authorities in this instance not only intended to burn only particular buildings not including those now in question but also took every precaution and did everything they could to prevent the fire from spreading to other buildings, the buildings in question cannot be said to have been destroyed by "order" of the authorities. But when it is considered that the exception covers loss caused indirectly as well as that caused directly by order of any civil authority, whatever force this argument might otherwise have, disappears. "Loss caused * * * indirectly" by order of civil authority is not necessarily merely commensurate with the order. It may include loss caused by the order though not intended. We may add that the exception in the policy is not "what is done by or in pursuance of" an order, but "loss caused by," that is, "resulting from" an order. The losses in question resulted from, that is, were caused by, the order, indirectly, if not directly.

It is further contended, especially by counsel for the plaintiffs in the second case, that to exempt the insurer, the order must be lawful and that the Board of Health could not lawfully order the burning of buildings. The language of the policy is "loss caused by order of any civil authority." Nothing is said about the order being lawful, and it could not have been the intention of the insurer in inserting this clause in the policy to make its exemption from liability depend on the solution of nice questions as to the lawfulness of the orders of the civil authorities. We do not mean to say that the insurer would be exempt in every case in which a person or body possessing civil authority might set fire to a building. In most cases if a person should cause another's building to be burned, he might be taken to have acted in his private capacity, and not as a civil authority, even though he possessed civil authority of some kind and purported to act in his official capacity. But it is sufficient when, as here, the civil authority, the Board of Health, has the power under the statutes to destroy buildings when it is necessary to do this for the public health, and in the particular case purports to act in its official capacity and does act in good faith and within the apparent scope of its powers. In such case the insured cannot under a policy of the kind now in question raise an inquiry as to whether the exercise of the lawful power was justified by the circumstances of the particular case. This is an action on contract against one who did not cause the loss and must be governed by the terms of the contract. What questions the insured might properly raise in an action of tort against the alleged wrongdoer, though a civil authority, who has set his property on fire is another matter.

One question remains to be considered. Was the order of the Board of Health the cause of the loss from a legal standpoint? Either the order or the plague was the cause. There was no independent efficient intervening cause after the order. Should the plague be considered the cause, and the order only an incident to that? Or should the order be considered the cause and the stamping out of the plague only a motive to that? Or should the plague be considered a remote cause, and the order an efficient intervening or proximate cause? Of course, if the order was the cause the defendants are not liable, while if the plague was the cause and the order was not an efficient intervening cause the defendants are liable. It is often difficult to determine whether a cause is proximate, remote or efficient and intervening. Much law has been evolved on this subject. The proximate cause is not necessarily the nearest in time or place. It is the predominating, operative, efficient cause,—which sets the others in motion. If there are two or more independent efficient causes, the loss is usually attributed to the nearest. No case has come to our attention in which the phrase "by order of any civil authority" has been the subject of judicial construction. In the cases before us, should the order be considered the cause in point of law and the stamping out of the plague the motive or object, or should the plague be considered the cause and the order the incident or instrument, as if the order was for the destruction of the buildings in some other way as by pulling them down?

In *Insurance Co. v. Boon*, 95 U. S. 117, the insured property was destroyed by a fire that spread from another building which had been set on fire by order of the Commander of the United States forces to prevent the rebel forces from getting the military stores therein, the order having been given when it became apparent that the loyal forces could not hold out against the rebel attack then in progress. The policy did not except loss caused by

order of any authority, whether civil or military, but did except loss caused by invasion or usurped power. The question was whether the invasion or usurped power of the rebels or the order of the Commander of the Union forces was the proximate cause of the loss. The Circuit Court held that although the attack was the reason for the order yet the order was the cause, an independent intervening cause, and that therefore the insurer was liable, inasmuch as that cause was not excepted in the policy, (40 Conn. 575; 11 Fed. Cas. No. 1639). But the Supreme Court reversed that decision and held that the invasion or usurped power was the efficient cause and that the order was only "an incident, a necessary incident and consequence of the hostile rebel attack on the town,—a military necessity caused by the attack. It was one of a continuous chain of events brought into being by the usurped military power,—events so linked together as to form one continuous whole." But in *Portsmouth Ins. Co. v. Reynolds*, 32 Gratt. (Va.) 613, referred in 13 Am. & Eng. Encyc. of Law, 2nd Ed., 131, where the insured buildings were destroyed by fire which spread from other buildings set on fire by order of the United States authorities under an apprehension of an attack by the Confederate forces, the court held that the insurers were liable, that the threatened attack was not the cause in a legal sense, or, if a cause, only a remote cause of the loss, and that the act of the government authority was an independent intervening efficient cause. In this case there was no attack in progress nor such an urgent necessity as in the other. And in *Harris v. The York Mut. Ins. Co.*, 50 Pa. St. 341, where the loss occurred was that caused "by fire occasioned by mobs and riot," and where the insured buildings were destroyed by the spread of fire from a bridge set on fire by the Commander of the United States forces to prevent the advance of a rebel army, the court held the insurer liable, both because the force in question was not merely a mob or body of rioters and because the fire was occasioned proximately by the order of the military authorities, and only remotely by the invading army.

There seems to be some difference of opinion as to whether the invasion or usurped power, where loss occasioned thereby is excepted, or the order given by the opposing commander in consequence of such invasion or usurped power, where loss occasioned by such order is not excepted, is the proximate cause of the loss in a legal sense. If the decisions of the United States Circuit Court and the Supreme Courts of Pennsylvania and Virginia should be followed, the order of the Board of Health should be regarded the proximate cause and the insurers would not be liable. But if the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States is in point and is followed, the plague is the proximate cause and the insurers are liable. It seems to us that these cases are indistinguishable from that decided by the Supreme Court of the United States. In that case as in these cases the insurance was against fire, but in that the expected risk was invasion or usurped power, while in this it is the "order of any civil authority." Would not the court in that case have arrived at a different conclusion if the exception had been the "order of any civil authority" and not "invasion or usurped power?" The question is not merely what the proximate cause is from an abstract scientific point of view or what it might be in some other point of view. It is largely a question of the intention of the parties as determined by the language of the contract and its construction. In that case the court, in order to carry the cause back to the order to the usurped power, laid considerable stress on the intention of the parties. It said, among other things:

"Policies of insurance, like other contracts, must receive a reasonable interpretation consonant with the apparent object and intent of the parties. This is entirely consistent with the rule that ambiguities should be construed most strongly against the underwriters, and most favorably to the assured. * * * Invasion involved, of necessity, resistance by the constituted authorities of the government, and the employment of its military force. Destruction of property by fire was quite as likely to be caused by resistance to the usurping military power as by the action of that power itself. This must have been foreseen and considered when the insurance was effected. It is difficult, therefore, to believe that the parties intended to confine the stipulated exemption within the limits to which the assured would be entitled to it. * * *

It cannot be said that was not anticipated which military power was recognized. And the insurers and the assured must be looked for such action by the Federal forces as a probable and reasonable consequence of an overpowering attack upon the city by an invading rebellious force. Having excepted from the undertaken responsibility for such an attack, they excepted from it responsibility for the consequences reasonably to be anticipated from it."

When, assuming that we must go back for the cause at least to the order, as shown by all the cases cited above, could it reasonably be contended that the parties did not intend that "loss caused directly or indirectly by order of any civil authority" would cover cases like the present? When loss is caused by the order of a civil authority, the officer or official body, unless it goes far beyond the scope of its authority, that it cannot be regarded as acting as a civil authority at all, necessarily acts in consequence of some cause or reason. It may destroy property to prevent the spread of an epidemic or to prevent an invasion of a city or to accomplish other purposes. Whether, if the civil authority should order the burning of property to prevent the spread of fire, the case would come within the exception, we cannot say. In such case the fire, the spread of which is sought to be prevented, is the very risk insured against. In this case, the risk is not the risk insured against. If the exemption was not intended to cover cases like the present, what was it intended to cover? The determination of the proximate cause in the legal sense depends to some extent upon what the main risk insured against is and what the exception is. For instance, if loss by fire is insured against and loss by explosion is the exception, and if this is taken to include loss caused by fire occasioned by explosion as well as that caused by the shock of the explosion, then in case a fire is caused by explosion the exception is in effect "loss caused directly or indirectly by explosion," then in case a fire is caused by explosion and spreads to other buildings, the explosion is regarded as the proximate cause and the insurer is not liable. But if loss caused by explosion is not excepted, the loss is regarded as caused by the explosion and by the explosion only remotely and the insurer is liable. *St. John v. Am. Mut. Fire and Marine Ins. Co.*, 113 N. Y. 519. In neither case would the court go back of the explosion to see what caused that. And yet if invasion were the proximate risk and a shot from the invading army caused an

explosion which in turn caused the fire, the loss would be regarded as caused proximately by the invasion and not by either the fire or the explosion and the insurer would not be liable. So here where loss by fire is insured against and "loss caused directly or indirectly by order of any civil authority" is excepted, the order and not the fire should be regarded as the proximate cause; and if loss caused directly or indirectly by plague were excepted and not loss caused by order of any civil authority, the plague and not the order might be regarded as the cause, within the meaning of the contract. But since loss by plague is neither insured against nor excepted, the plague cannot be regarded as the cause of the loss of property destroyed by fire ordered by civil authority, though in consequence of the plague. We may add also that here as in the Virginia case there was not the same pressing necessity for the destruction of the property either in point of time or as to the method of destroying it as there was in the case of *Insurance Co. v. Boon*. Nor was there the same recognized duty to destroy it at all. In cases of that kind there was a well recognized military necessity and duty to destroy property of that kind under such circumstances, so that in making the contract such losses could fairly be considered as intended to come within the scope of the exception. But there is no well known necessity or duty or practice of burning buildings in case of plague or other infectious or contagious diseases. On the whole we are of opinion that within the meaning of these policies the loss must be regarded as caused by the order of the Board of Health and not by the bubonic plague. Whether the Board was justified in issuing the order is a question not before us.

Judgment for the defendant in the first of these cases. Exceptions overruled in the second.

J. T. De Bolt for the plaintiff in the first case.
W. R. Castle and *P. L. Weaver* for the defendant.
P. Neumann and *W. A. Whiting* for the plaintiffs in the second case.
A. G. M. Robertson and *L. A. Thurston* for the defendant.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE TERRITORY OF HAWAII.

SEPTEMBER TERM, 1900.

WONG CHOW, WONG CHEW YOU, LAM KAI CHOW and LAM YING CHIN, partners doing business under the firm name of YEE WO CHAN & CO. v. THE TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, Limited.

EXCEPTIONS FROM CIRCUIT COURT, FIRST CIRCUIT.

SUBMITTED OCTOBER 6, 1900. DECIDED OCTOBER 30, 1900.

FREAR, C.J., GALBRAITH AND PERRY, JJ.

In an epidemic of bubonic plague the Health authorities set fire to certain buildings declared to be infected, from which the fire spread by accident to other buildings including the plaintiffs' store containing goods covered by a policy of insurance. Held, that the circumstances set forth in the opinion did not show that the loss was caused by a civil commotion so as to exempt the insurers under the clause in the policy that they should not be liable for any loss or damage caused by civil commotion.

OPINION OF THE COURT BY FREAR, C.J.

This is one of three fire insurance cases argued at this term, representative of many others, arising out of the burning of "Chinatown" in the city of Honolulu on the 20th of last January. The action is for \$5,000 upon a policy issued by the defendant company, of Hamburg, Germany, upon the merchandise contained in the plaintiffs' store on Maunakea street, a little above King street, in this city.

The case was tried by the circuit court, jury waived, and judgment rendered for the plaintiffs and now comes here on several exceptions.

The only questions raised are whether there was a "civil commotion" and, if so, whether that caused the fire—so as to bring the case within the provision of the policy that the company should "not be liable for any loss or damage caused by means of invasion, insurrection, riot, civil commotion, or military or usurped power."

The facts are briefly as follows: The bubonic plague broke out in Honolulu on December 12, 1899. A number of cases occurred in Chinatown, which was in an insanitary condition, and several in other parts of the city. Chinatown, consisting of fifteen blocks, bounded by the Nuuanu stream and Kukui, Nuuanu, Marine and Queen streets, was placed in quarantine by the Board of Health, and to maintain the quarantine the local militia was placed on duty. Subsequently the city of Honolulu was quarantined from the rest of the island and traffic with that as well as with the other islands and foreign ports was carried on only to a limited extent and under regulations of the Board of Health. The people organized "The Citizens' Sanitary Committee," which, acting under the directions of the Board, undertook the work of making a house to house inspection of the city twice a day. Several hundred people were engaged in this work. For a time the courts suspended business for the most part and business houses opened late and closed early in order to enable employees to assist in the work of inspection and other work connected with the plague. The quarantine was finally raised in the month of May, 1900.

In the early part of January the Board adopted fire as a means of disinfection and thereafter from time to time until the 20th of that month burned a number of buildings. After inspecting the locality, the Board on the 10th of that month passed a resolution declaring that a certain portion of what was known as Block 15, the block in Chinatown furthest inland or to the windward when the trade winds blew, was in an insanitary condition and infected by bubonic plague, that the infection could not be removed by any means but fire, and ordering that all the buildings within that portion of the block be destroyed by fire. The President of the Board thereupon directed one of the Fire Commissioners to burn such buildings. The Fire Commissioner caused the fire to be started by and under the supervision of the Honolulu Fire Department on the morning of the 20th of January. The fire, having been so started, accidentally spread to Kaumakapili Church in the same block and thence through near-

ly all the blocks in Chinatown to the water front, including the store of the plaintiffs, which was several blocks from where the fire started. There was only a moderate breeze blowing at the time and no efficient cause intervened between the setting of the fire under the orders of the Health authorities and the burning of the merchandise in the plaintiffs' store. Such substantially are the facts as found by the trial court and supported by the evidence. That court found that these facts did not show a "civil commotion" within the meaning of the policy and it is to this that objection is taken.

Counsel for the defendant would have the court find that a civil commotion was occasioned upon the outbreak of the plague and continued until the 20th of January when the fire in question was started by the Health authorities. The phrase "civil commotion" is no doubt of broad meaning but it cannot be stretched to cover the condition prevailing in this city during the period preceding the fire in question. Naturally, courts have seldom been called upon to construe this phrase. Lord Mansfield, applying it to the riot acts of 1780, said: "I think a civil commotion is this, an insurrection of the people for general purposes, though it may not amount to a rebellion while there is a usurped power." *Langsdale v. Mason*, quoted in *Joyce, Ins.*, Sec. 2581. This is said to have been quoted in *Portsmouth Ins. Co. v. Reynolds*, 32 Gratt. (Va.) 622. 6 Am. & Eng. Enc. of Law, 2nd Ed. 291. In *Sprull v. N. C. Mut. Life Ins. Co.*, 46 N. C. 126, a case of insurance upon the life of a fugitive slave who was shot by persons attempting to capture him, the court, holding that there was no civil commotion, said: "A commotion is defined by the lexicographer referred to, (Worcester) to be a tumult; and a tumult to be a promiscuous commotion of a multitude; an irregular violence; a wild commotion. A civil commotion, therefore, requires the wild or irregular action of many persons assembled together." It is true that in this case the business of the courts and of the community was more or less interrupted, but that is not sufficient to make a civil commotion. There was nothing of a wild, tumultuous, violent, turbulent or seditious nature which the phrase is generally understood to imply and which it was intended to imply in this policy as shown by the words with which it is associated. The interruption to business was orderly, deliberate and for peaceful and laudable purposes. These words cannot be taken strictly in their etymological meaning—as a moving together not military, ecclesiastical, &c. If so, they would include the ordinary celebration of a holiday—when business is more interrupted than it was during the plague here, or they would even include many occurrences in the ordinary course of business or social life. The words have grown to have a different meaning. The plague or epidemic itself was not a civil commotion nor did it cause a civil commotion. There was, it is true, considerable excitement after the fire department lost control of the fire, for several thousand people were obliged to leave their homes in haste in order to escape the flames and had to be safely conducted elsewhere and not allowed to scatter in the uninfected portions of the city, but if there was a civil commotion then, it did not cause the fire. The fire caused it.

It may be that a fire of this kind is so unusual that the insurance company did not in fact contemplate it and that it contemplated only ordinary risks, but we must go by the terms of the policy and hold it to cover all loss or damage by fire not included in one of the excepted risks. The probable intention of the parties may aid in the construction of doubtful phrases in the policy, but cannot alter the plain meaning of its language.

If bubonic plague were named in the policy as one of the excepted risks it might be a nice question whether that was the proximate cause of the fire, but that was not mentioned as an excepted risk.

The plague itself was not a civil commotion and the facts of the case do not show that it caused a civil commotion prior to the fire in question. It is unnecessary to go further and say whether, if the condition existing prior to the fire could be properly described as a civil commotion, it, rather than the plague or the order of the Health authorities, was the cause of the fire. The policy excepts losses caused by civil commotion, not losses which merely occur in time of civil commotion.

The exceptions are overruled.

Paul Neumann and *W. Austin Whiting* for the plaintiffs.
L. A. Thurston and *Robertson & Wilder* for the defendant.

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SEA AND SHORE

The schedule time of the new steamers and others of the Oceanic Steamship Company is shown by a new schedule just received. The new list is for the next few months.

The Sierra is booked to leave San Francisco on the 21st of November, arriving in Honolulu on the 27th. According to the last reports she had not arrived at San Francisco, being on her way around Cape Horn.

On January 12, the Alameda, which is now on a trip to the Colonies, will take the Honolulu run. The Mariposa is due today from the Colonies.

The following people are booked to take passage to San Francisco on the Mariposa today: Mrs. Fowler, Miss Neumann, Mrs. Taylor and child, F. J. Turk and wife, O. C. Lewis and wife, W. Lewis, Miss M. Fleckheimer, Mrs. S. Kimball, Miss A. Rycroft, Mrs. Bosley, Mrs. C. A. Ruder, E. A. Mains, C. H. Schmidt, Mrs. A. A. Cunningham, C. C. Douglas, C. A. Bruns, D. C. Becker and wife, Misses Maffariane, P. M. Pond, James L. McLean, Mrs. G. A. Rathborn and child, Dr. Pringer, E. Comstock, Dr. M. Grossman, J. Colley, D. J. McKay, Hy Hill, C. S. Shanklin, E. R. Swain, Miss McBoyle, Dr. L. A. Baner, Miss C. Castle, A. Drier and wife, Mrs. Harrison, Mrs. Knaff, Mrs. Davies, A. F. Gunn and wife, John Cargill, W. T. Cornwall and wife.

A FIGHT ON THE FRONT. A fierce fight on the waterfront excited considerable interest for a few moments yesterday morning. It took place at the transport Port Stephens wharf, Officer Merins and a Chinese from the transport were the contestants and the matter threatened to end seriously until others interfered and prevented the savage Boxer from chipping whole chunks off the fearless officer with a large chisel with which he fought.

Merins had been specially assigned to duty on this particular wharf for the purpose of preventing Chinese from landing from the Port Stephens. Tong See Chong attempted to come ashore, and the officer immediately grabbed him and reminded the pig-tailed coolie that he had no right to set foot on the wharf. The Oriental had a chisel in his hand and made a thrust at the officer with it, making a nasty gash in his cheek. Merins quickly drew his club and gave the almond-eyed Celestial a tap on the head which would have brought tears to the eyes of anyone less ferocious. The Chink, as the Chinese are called aboard the transport, went for the officer again, however, and administered a stab in the side and another in the hip.

Merins' club had not been idle by any means, and the head of the Boxer spoke eloquently to that effect. Fortunately, just about this time, the second mate of the Stephens and Captain Flint showed up, the fight was stopped and the Chinese taken to the police station.

FIRE STILL RAGES. The fire in the Government coal pile on the corner of Alakea and Allen streets, which was discovered on election day, is still raging, and it will probably be a few days yet before it is finally mastered. The coal is being moved as rapidly as possible and the fire department is still at work. Chief Hunt says that he will stay by the fire until it is extinguished. Not until the fire is definitely located will the firemen be able to do efficient work, however.

OF INTEREST TO PACIFIC COAST. WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Naval Constructor F. B. Zahn has been ordered to the Mare Island navy yard to take charge of construction work. Zahn has been on duty in Washington for the past few years as principal assistant to Chief Constructor Admiral Hichborn. His transfer to Mare Island is in the nature of a promotion in view of the important work thereby devolving upon him.

The Secretary of the Treasury issued an order today for the placing of three light beacons in Suisun Bay, Cal., one each at Point Edith, Middle Point and Stake Point. Proposals for the work will be invited by circulars. The amount estimated as necessary to complete the work is \$15,000.

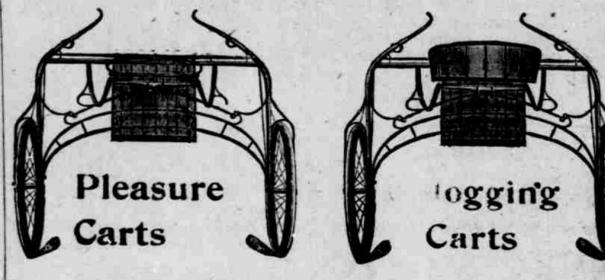
THE PERRY LAUNCHED. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 28.—At precisely 12:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon the new torpedo-boat destroyer Perry, first of her class to be built here, was launched at the Union Iron Works. The honor of christening the vessel fell to Miss Maud O'Connor, daughter of the late Cornelius O'Connor. In every respect the launching was a success, and was witnessed by several hundred persons, including Irving M. Scott and a party of specially invited guests.

The Perry is one of sixteen torpedo-boat destroyers which were ordered by the Government two years ago. She is the first to be built on this coast, and is to be followed by the Paul Jones and Preble. The Perry, like all the others built or building, has a length on the water line of 245 feet, a maximum beam of twenty-three feet, and will draw, upon a trial displacement of 420 tons, exactly eight feet of water over the tips of her screws, of which she will have two. The sternal has been noted out below, so that the boat shall not "squat" when going at full speed, nor give the propellers a chance to race in the air when running in a heavy sea. The sides have been run well up, and support a forecastle deck of some length. There are two conning towers, each of which has a steering wheel, but only the forward one

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The cases of Lau King and Chun Hoy, two Chinese who were ordered sent back to China by Judge Estee some time ago as a result of an investigation which seemed to show that they were admitted to the Islands as a result of fraud on the part of an interpreter, Lin Shin Chow, are to be appealed to the Circuit Court of Appeals at San Francisco.

In the course of his decision on their cases Judge Estee announced that as the evidence of the two Chinese boys that they had been born in these Islands was uncorroborated by any white witness he would not admit them to the Islands. It is upon this point that a writ of error to the Circuit Court of Appeals is to be sued out. Lorin Andrews who defended one of the boys has been retained by a number of Chinese of the city to take the matter to a higher court and he believes that he can prove error.

The cases were of considerable interest as in the progress of their trial, evidence was brought to light that tended to show that Lin Shin Chow, the Chinese interpreter of the Customs Department, had been guilty of accepting bribes. Chow is quite prominent in the Chinese colony and his examination before United States Commissioner Robinson and binding over to await the action of the Grand Jury in the Federal Court at the February term caused a mild sensation in Chinatown.

The papers in the case will be transmitted to the Circuit Court of Appeals very soon and in the meantime the two Chinese boys instead of being forced to go back to China by the next steamer will remain in custody of the United States Marshal at Quarantine Island. The members of the Chinese society who are backing the proposition of taking the case up have agreed to pay the board and lodging of their compatriots at the Island during the delay which must result before the case can be decided at San Francisco.

FOSTER MAKES EXCUSES.

Frank H. Foster, one of the three Kamalo Sugar Company promoters who were accused of grave misdoings by Judge Humphreys, filed a motion yesterday in the Circuit Court for permission to file an answer and to introduce evidence against the amended bill of complaint filed by the plaintiffs in the case some days ago.

The motion is supported by an affidavit wherein he asserts that at the time of the alleged taking of the company's stock he was possessed of valuable options on land and that he could have sold these options for more than he ever received from the Kamalo company. He likewise states that his services as a promoter were very valuable and that he expended a large amount of time and labor in the Kamalo Sugar Company as a promoter for which he received nothing save the stocks and money received from the company. No issue was raised at the trial, he goes on, whereby his title to the stock was put in jeopardy, and he desires his day in court to prove expenditures of money and the value of time and labor expended to the benefit of the company and to prove the market value of the options turned over by him to the company without which it could not have been organized.

He declares likewise that if the stock in question is declared forfeited by the court he still has the right to recover from the company upon quantum meruit for the value of the options and his services. He states that while it might be true that the plaintiffs in the case were unaware of the exact amount made by the promoters, they were aware that the promoters were receiving compensation and were entitled to do so.

HEAVY FINE FOR BERGSTROM. Hereafter when Honoluluans are summoned to act as jurors in the Circuit Court when Judge Humphreys is on the bench they will do well to camp on the steps of the Judiciary building all night rather than be absent when court convenes in the morning. J. W. Bergstrom is wishing that he had followed some such course as this for yesterday he was assessed the sum of \$100 by Judge Humphreys for failing to be on hand when his name was called.

A special venire was issued on Wednesday to secure jurors for the Downing murder case, and Bergstrom was one of the called. Bergstrom accepted the matter philosophically and promised to be on hand in the morning, but when court convened he was not to be found.

Judge Humphreys issued a bench warrant for his arrest and after about an hour Bergstrom appeared under the protecting wing of a stalwart bailiff. When asked by Judge Humphreys why he had failed to answer to the summons of the court Bergstrom looked puzzled and said he'd been busy and had forgotten to appear in court until the officer came in on him.

Judge Humphreys delivered a mild homily on the virtues of punctuality and the heinousness of his offense in being late in court. He wound up by ordering Bergstrom to pay a fine of \$100 or go to jail. Bergstrom went back to his seat feeling rather pale and it is

likely that henceforth he will carry an alarm clock in his clothes to remind him of his engagements.

DOWNING TRIAL PROGRESSES.

The case against Charles Downing charged with the murder of a native up Nuuanu valley last March is dragging on very slowly in the Circuit Court before Judge Humphreys. It is likely that the case will last until Saturday at least, for the first witness for the prosecution was still on the stand at adjournment yesterday.

The jury was completed shortly before noon yesterday and G. W. Pahu, an old Hawaiian who was one of those to find the bodies of the murdered men after the affray was over, was placed on the stand. His direct examination lasted until noon, and after luncheon the judge, jury, defendant attorneys and officers of the court all paid a visit to the scene of the murder. This occupied a good share of the balance of the day.

Pahu went on the stand for the rest of the afternoon and at adjournment Mr. Gathcart was still examining him.

FLINT MUST DIG UP.

Captain Harry Flint must dig up the coin for the payment of the attorneys who brought suit against him last July on behalf of his wife for divorce. Yesterday a motion was filed by Magoon and Thompson asking that Flint show cause for not paying the temporary alimony which the court ordered him to pay last July or be adjudged guilty of contempt of court. Shortly after this order was made by Judge Humphreys Flint and his wife made it up and Mrs. Flint went away on the Australia covered with leis and bathed in tears leaving her husband waving loving farewells from the wharf. A few days ago Mrs. Flint returned to Honolulu. She had failed to pay her attorneys before leaving, nor had Captain Harry attended to that duty and now he must dig up or go to jail.

ESTATE OF CHILDREN.

J. Peenahale, guardian of Emelia, Kihelu, Kawekiu, William Maunaloa and Annie Wailani, yesterday filed an inventory of the property of his wards. It shows that the children are tenants in common of lands at Kawaokapuna, Hana, and at Kauhahala, and at Papahawabawa, about 100 acres altogether.

LEWIS AND TURK GO FREE.

Lewis and Turk, the crimps, will not have to answer in the Circuit Court for their assault upon their fellow craftsman McCarthy. Yesterday morning their case was dismissed, a nolle prosequi being entered at the instance of Deputy Attorney General Cathcart. The "Heavenly Twins" will leave by the Mariposa to-day for the Mainland, shaking the dust of the Islands from their feet for good and all.

CHINESE CASE DISMISSED.

The case against Chun Hong Cho, brought from the District Court at Koolauoko, was dismissed yesterday by Judge Humphreys. The defendant was accused of making threats.

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Congressman Smith Addresses His Constituents While Glued to a Chair.

The meanest scalawag in Michigan lives over in Augusta township, Washtenaw county, and we'll proceed to prove it. Hank Smith was billed to speak at a school house near Whitcomb, when a Republican club was to be organized. The room was jammed full of men, women and children. A little platform had been temporarily arranged for the orator of the evening, surmounted by a single chair, the seat of which some miscreant had covered with fresh glue. In this chair, to which he was conducted, "Hank" sat down, not knowing it was loaded. Meantime the burghers proceeded with their work, and an hour was consumed before the officers were elected and the job finished. The new President then stepped forward and introduced "the present and the next Congressman of this district, the Hon. Henry C. Smith of Adrian."

Mr. Smith got up and so did the chair. He tried to shake it off by a hip wriggle. This failed. He reached down, and tried to pry it off with his fingers, but without success. He pulled sturdily at the rear to force it to let go, but it wouldn't do anything of the kind. He now smelt a rodent. The President, seeing his predicament, stepped up and gave the thing such a tug that Smith in alarm, but in an undertone, said: "Hold on, Ferguson, you'll tear the cloth away, and you can see my coat is a short sack, and there are ladies present."

The audience now tumbled to the situation, and instantly burst into thundering guffaws. The room became a bedlam of laughter-convulsed lunatics. Women screamed and children whooped, while able-bodied men lay down on the benches and roared. The hilarity was catching, and soon Hank, genial-hearted and fun-loving as he was, sat down, dangled back and joined the deafening chorus. Finally, waving his hand, the crowd became sufficiently quiet to hear him say: "I came here to speak my piece, and I'll do it, though the whole school house were glued to me." Then he got up again, and half bent over, with the chair dangling behind, waded in. At every motion he made the chair would bump up and down on the floor or swing against the wall, or strike the table holding the lamp. Of course, the crowd laughed when he joked and laughed when he didn't joke. At last the speaker said: "Ladies and gentlemen, I must rest. My back is about broken," and sat down. At this an old fellow ran out, and trotting across the way to his house, brought over a pair of overalls. "Hank" was scaded off the platform amid renewed yells of laughter and with a man holding the chair away from his calves, waddled outdoors, where he was "unhushed."—Grass Lake, Mich., News.

AND SHE WONDERED.

Miss Olive (of St. Louis): "Say, cousin, what's a periphrasis?" Miss Browning (of Boston): "A periphrasis is simply a circumlocutory cycle of oratorical prosopitry, circumscribing an infinitesimal ideality interred in a verbal profundity." Miss Olive: "Thanks; I thought it was something like that, but I wasn't quite sure."—Chicago News.

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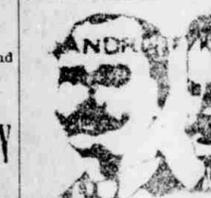
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A pretty romance culminated happily a week ago when Professor Irwin F. Beadle of the Kamehameha Manual school was married to Miss Grace Moore. Professor Beadle is in the manual department of the Kamehameha school and has been in the Islands about a year.

His wedding Miss Moore was the sequel of an engagement made when mere children. Professor Beadle and his bride are living in a cosy little cottage on the school grounds. The following from the Kansas City Journal gives an insight into the romance of the pair:

KANSAS CITY, Oct. 15.—Thirteen thousand miles must be traveled by Miss Grace Moore, of Glens Falls, N. Y., in order that she may marry Professor Irwin F. Beadle, of Honolulu, to whom she has pledged her troth.

Miss Moore on Tuesday of last week started on her long trip. In a fortnight she will be Professor Beadle's bride.

Behind the trip there is a pretty, romantic story. It tells of a young man who attended school in Oswego, N. Y., and sat at the same form with a bright, pretty girl, a child of 8 or 9 years. He himself was 11. The two had always been playmates and when they grew to be youth and miss they became lovers. Friends watched them and smiled indulgently, saying it was only a boy and girl affair and would be outgrown in time as they grew older. But as the years passed they became more and more attached to each other and ere long were publicly announced engaged to marry. This was before the young man had finished his course at college, and he then had no prospects other than the necessity of earning his living by virtue of his bright intelligent mind. He was studying to be a teacher and hoped to make enough money upon his graduation to claim his bride and care for her.

But as the end of his college life came he found he could do little in the East. He started West with a determination to make his fortune and come back and claim his bride. But when he reached the West he found himself still unable to make rapid headway up the ladder of fortune, so he wrote his fiancée and told her he had determined to go to Honolulu and awaited her consent. This was not long in coming, and a year ago he sailed for the Hawaiian Islands.

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Artist Bunker Here.

Harry M. Bunker, the artist, sailed October 24th for Honolulu on the American bark Albert, on which he expects to make the round trip. As some time will be consumed in loading and unloading, he will have ample opportunities to see places of interest in the new island territory. Mr. Bunker has been for the past several months in the Santa Cruz mountains in the Ben Lomond district. This extended vacation has been taken in the interest of his health, which was impaired during an extended stay in New York, where he studied and illustrated for several of the leading publications. He seems quite restored, but the family is determined to take no chances; hence his further holiday.—S. F. Chronicle.

Alabama Wants a Slice of Florida.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Oct. 25.—Secretary of State McDavid has taken the first step toward annexing West Florida to Alabama. In his annual report to the government, the secretary of state says Alabama runs a mile further south on the eastern boundary than the tract books have heretofore shown and that the state is possessed of a wedge of land which his office records failed to show it owned, running 100 miles along the southern end of the state.

"The actor," said Joe Jefferson in a speech to a Chicago audience the other night, "wonders why he does not succeed as an orator, and the orator wonders why he is not a success on the stage. It is because, while in certain things they are alike, in cardinal points they are entirely different. The orator never has to listen. No one ever talks back to him. The orator impresses. The actor is impressed."

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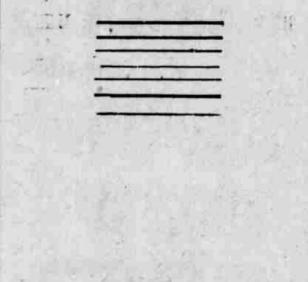
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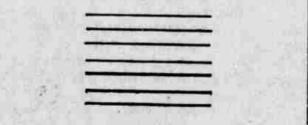
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