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Thomas, the principal port of the Danish. West Indies. This action on
the part of Germany has aroused considerable apprehension in States
Department circles. It is generally conceded that German infuence pre vented the sale of the Danikh West Indies to the UnitedStates.
Tokio, Japan, Jan. 4.-Notwithsfanding the active preparations for war going on throughout Japan, the Government seems determined that Tapan shali not initiate the conflict with Russia.
Washington, Jan. 3.-It is learned from an official source that Japan's note to Russia agreed to recoguize Rasslan supremacy in Manchuria provided Russia would, concede a like supremady in Korea. Russia dis no approve the proposition.
Tokio, Jan. 4.-The situation here is considered to be extremely critical. Failing to receive asatisfactory reply from Russia, Japan intends to ta
ctive measures in a fely days, which it is expected will lead to war.
St. Petersberg, Jan. 4.-Diplomat's here do not expect grave results to fullow the Russian reply to Japan, which will now be presented in a few days

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The Empresr Dowages of Koren Jied, January 4. Japan and Costa Riea have rec Thize the Pamam Republie. The Empress Dewager of Cl
favors an alliance with Japan. Congress consened on Mondisy danuary 4, after its holicay weese.
The Cruiser Detroit has been order ed to Domingo, to relieve the Seor
pion. Captain Pubst. head of the weli known Milwaukee brewing house is
dead. dead.
Congress has approved the settle Bolivia.
The Legislative Council for Preto Asiatics.
A revolutiou has broken out, and a Uruguay.
In a theatre fire at Chicago, from 300 to 500
their lives.
It is feared that there will be general Houtentot uprisiog in German territory.
Nineteen theatres in Chicago have been closed on account of inadequat

The New Year's reception at the White House was a particularly brilliant fuection.
A general shipping strike has been trade is paralyzed.
Fire in the State capitol at Des id datnage to the a 500,000.
David B. Hill made a caustic at banquet in New York.
banquet in New York.
The death rate at the Iroquois
thester disaster which is now thester disaster which is now belie
ed to be complete, amounts to $58 \%$
The Army and Navy Board reconmends that Subig Bay and not Manila be made the Philippine naval base.
General James Longstreet, the fa mous Confederate leader, died a Atlanta, Geogia, Sunday of pueume
nial.
The Colombian outlook is peaceful, Ganeral Reyes baving notified his gutile.
The United States Supreme Court
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President; Roosevelt submitted a
special message to Congress on Mon-
day, Jealing with the Panama Canal
question.
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tersburg as to the attitude of the
United States in relation to the east-
rn situation.
President Rosevelt has designated
Secretary Root to negotiate wil
President Reyes owing to the iline
Secretay Hay
Lord Lansdowne British Secretary
of War has given up hopes for a
peaceful sottiement of the tr
tween Russia and Japan.
Chinese cruisers at Sbanghal are
embarking ammunition and stores
preparatory to sailing, but are await-
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jelegate Kuhio was arrested it
Washington in Tuesday on account of having had a fistic encounter wid
Charies Clark, of Kalini fame.
The Senate Committee on Milltary
Affairs decided by a vote of seven to two, to report favorably on the nom-
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MAUI BLUE BOOK
 Saturday，January

潮 To one whois sorn and bred to the belief that self government is the best form of government，the present conditions ou Maui present and interesting study．The howe ruers made a clean the responsibility of running our county government．Their ev－ ery novement will ba watched，studied and criticisms．So far， their action has been conservative and sensible and has evoked favorable criticisin in the main．Their appointments to subordi－ nate positions，with some few unfortunate exceptions，have been such as to gain for them the respect and commendation of all fair minded people，and their avowed intention to ran the county gov－ if carried out．Now that onr county officers are elected and in－ stalled in office，it will be only fair to suspend judgment und awnit events before beginning to bestow praise or blame．If they con． duct public affairs in a praiseworthy manner，the News stands ready to give them full credit．If any of them betray their trusi reade sooner then NEws will call them to account．

潦 Ex－Superintendent Cooper，in the present contest of the coun $y$ act，takes the position that it is better，and more in the line of what congress desires，to have but one government and one set of officers than to have a larger number of separate offlcers for each of the five counties of Maui．
is still a lively recollection in
he immense revenues tolled on Maui，carried to Honolutu，and put in sewers and sea－wills．Under the present system，no larger re renue will be needed on Maui thtn has been raised herotofore，and of being taken to Honolulu and Doled oast to us as heretolore．

楽 The people of Honolulu were condemned for not throwing she $n$ wide opeiu on Sunday，while the fleet was there，It is true that a more liberal iden among the perple of the United States is gaining ground，so far as Sunday observance is concerned，stil） Honolulu for her own honor and prosperity cannot permit that beautiful little city to become a wide open town，in the sense that many other sea－ports have reached．Let there be ball games and other Sunday relaxations in proper places but Honolulu should still remember that it an Ameriean town，and should maintain its standard as such in a way that will not permit it to suffer in com－ parison with the coast cities of the Unised States，

Although Sixto Lopez declined to be interviewed while on Mani last week，yet what he did say gives tho impression that he hopes to see the moral senctice It would he wiser for this Fill pino and his follopes for fix their eyes stendily on the fact that pino and his following to American citizenship is the highest boon which the Filipinos could attain，－and they are taught to grasp the idea and begin to tii．themselve for it the better it will be for them individually and as a nation．

湐 The races at Kahului on New Year＇s day has taught the horse men of Maui that we have the making of a irrst－class string of Maui horses．The result is that the idea is gaining ground to col lect these horses into what will be known as the Mani Stable Many are ready to back the proposition．Such＇a stable organized in the noar future and put in training would make a string which would be well worth taking to Honolulu on Jane 11，and would also in sure the Honolulu horsemen a run for their money when they com over here on July 4.

The The United States has taught the South American republics that the Latin races of South America，whose traditions are a blend of the pride of the hidalgo and the savages of the aborigines，can－ not reach the mental and moral height necessary to make them self governing nations，until they are more ad vanced in the scale o
ei insist that the United States，hae not grasped the true liea of self goverament，

蒸．The wisdom and necessity of augmenting the United State naval fleet as recently proposed，so as to make the United States impregnable is a proposition that will grow in importance until in will become an accom plished fact．The＂fresh water＂states will
hang back for awhile，but even the citizens of the inland states will hang back for awhile，but even the citizans of the inland states wilh oventually come to realize that as an absolutely necessa．
of defence，the United Stales will need a powerful navy．

涊 Wise statesmanship in Japan should dectate the wisdom of a voiding a war with Russia．That a small，insular country like Ja to be believed，even admitting that Japan may at present may have the best of the matter in the matter in the way of a navy．If Ja－ pan has any goood．wise and disinterested friends，they should ad vise her to avoid war with Russia．


㴊 This year will probably witness a revival of tourist travel，and It will happen at a time which will prove its value．Heretofore the
Islands have been so prosperous than the need of tourist money was not felt．Those golden tays are gone and now we must all diligently set about cultivating an
wish to reap an abuydant harrest．

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＂We see in every progressive com－
unity that the demand of a working－ man is no longer for a wage sufficient in enable him to keep body and soul together．The wage system will
pass away．It is，as has been pass nway，It is，as has been
shown，unsatisfactory io many of its applications．It depends loo largely and great－mindediness of its emplos－
＂The system will take the place of ， roft sharing and coooperative plans． The working pe ple will then acquire
the Interesi of investor，and the more apable will rise th their opportun－ ies and the less wortby will find

## The Fool Whie Won．

When Horace Grecley frst went to Vew York city；a green，awkward sountry boy，be met with diseourage．
minent：For two days he tramped tio treets，visiting two thirds of the rinting offices in the towin and at ways receiving a cold refusal of his ervices．
His biographer，Mr．W．A．T．inn， ays that by Saturday jight Greeley was satistica that the city offered him a hope of a living．He decided to leave for the country on Monday，be－ It happened that som
It happened that some acquaint． Sunday，told him of an office where a compositor was wanted．Greeley went there Monday morning before the place was opened．His appear－ nce was so uncouth that he would ave been rejected there also if the oreman had not had diffifulty in get． ting a compositor
he wanted done．
This was selting up a small New Testament with narrow columns，the interspersed with referen usual characters．So complicated was the task and so littlo could the compositor earn at is that several
nen had abandoned the work almost ss soon as they had begun it．
The foreman offered the work to reeley，beliceving that the boy would gy it When the proprietor Greeley at work he asked the tore oan why he hired that fool and said ＂Pay him off tonight．
But the foreman did not pay him off． This boy had worked on a New Eng tand farm，had cut wood in the winte cold and in summer had worliedio th ields under the noon sun．He was nct When the foreman that Testament proof he found that Greeley had more type and set it better than set HAIKU SUGAR CO．SSTORE

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