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FOREIGN NEWS

LADYSMITH, March, 21, (Afternoon Service.)—It has been ascertained that the accidental removal of stones covering some Boer graves after the fight at Peters Hill, Feb. 28, revealed thousands of soft-nose bullets.
Princess Christian's hospital train arrived this morning. It was the first train over the new Colenso bridge. The railroad is now open to Elands Laagte, where a camp has been established. Drankenberg and Biggarsdorp are closely watched by the British cavalry.

NEW YORK, Mar. 21, (Afternoon Service.)—A dispatch to the World from Pietermaritzburg says:
A temporary bridge across the Tagela at Colenso is now open for traffic and there is at least a direct railway service between Durban and Elands Laagte. The first train to cross the bridge was the Princess Christian's hospital train. This magnificent train has been badly wanted in Natal since the beginning of the war. Major Brazier Creagh's improved hospital train has removed about 4,000 wounded, but though every care was taken the narrow doors of the carriages and the bumping and shunting has caused much pain which with appliances now at hand, may be avoided. There are still over 2,000 patients in the Ladysmith hospital, so the train is not too late.

BERNE, SWITZERLAND, Mar. 21, (Afternoon Service.)—The Federal Council has answered the Boer appeal for mediation as follows:
"The Swiss Federal Council would have been pleased to co-operate in friendly mediation in order to end further bloodshed, but as the Presidents of both South African republics have directly approached the British Government, in order to conclude peace on a basis indicated and the British Government has shown itself against the proposal; and, as furthermore, the British Government has declared to the Cabinet at Washington that it did not propose to accept the intervention of any power, the Swiss Federal Council to its regret, must also renounce the idea of taking any steps on the lines of the request made by the Presidents of the South African republics. There remains for the Federal Council in the circumstances, nothing but to express sincere wish that the belligerents will have succeeded, at no distant date in finding a basis for an understanding honorable to both parties."

LONDON, Mar. 21.—Winston Churchill, in a dispatch from Pietermaritzburg warmly resists the contention that the relief of Ladysmith rose out of Lord Roberts' operations. "On the contrary," he says, "the operations of Lord Roberts were assisted by the fact that General Buller kept 16,000 Boers occupied. It would be a cruel and unworthy thing to deprive the Natal army of their hard-won laurels, and none would more vigorously repudiate such a suggestion than Lord Roberts himself."

LONDON, Mar. 21.—A statement comes from Pretoria admitting that the Boer losses during the war exceed 7,000.
No fresh news has been received from Mafeking, but a Pretoria dispatch dated Thursday, March 15th, asserts, that Colonel Plumer has not been able to advance south of Lobatsi.

WASHINGTON, Mar. 20.—The State Department has been notified by the United States Consul at Vladivostok, the eastern terminus of the Siberian Railway, that the municipality has prepared estimates for twenty miles of electric trolley road, also for water works for the city. The Consul suggests that there is an excellent opportunity here for American bidders.

KINGSTON, (Jamaica), Mar. 20.—The British cruiser Alert arrived here today from Colombian ports. She reports the revolution there in full sway and that British subjects are in need of protection. The Alert is coaling hastily and will return to Colombia.

CALCUTTA, Mar. 21.—The bubonic plague is fast increasing. In Bengal 4,725 deaths occurred last week. These included 744 in Calcutta and 2,044 in Patna.

The Viceroy, Lord Curzon of Kedleston, yesterday visited the medical college, which is in one of the infected districts of Calcutta.

HOGHTON, Mich., Mar. 21.—(Afternoon Service.)—Leading mine managers and engineers from the Transvaal who had visited the copper district since the beginning of the Boer war regard the destruction of mining plants in the Transvaal as highly probable. Mine managers are here to place orders for new equipment immediately after the construction of the old machinery. One Johannesburg mine manager now here has full plans and specifications for a new plant which will cost about 1,000,000. Leading American machinery manufacturers have made conditional bids on probably \$2,000,000 worth of new mining machinery for South African gold mines.

LONDON, Mar. 21.—The Constantinople correspondent of the Times announces that the Sultan has yielded "in all essential particulars" to the Russian demands respecting railways concessions in Asia Minor.

PRETORIA, Mar. 19.—President Kruger today discussed the war in a forceful manner, defending the Transvaal in its course and avowing the purpose of his people to fight on to freedom or death. He said:

"The war was forced upon us by England, which has been deceived by Cecil Rhodes and the other mining men who want the country. We yielded as far as possible until we saw that nothing but complete surrender of our independence would satisfy England. Now that we are fighting we will conquer or die. I do not look for aid from other countries, but we were glad to have their sympathy and friendship. We are willing to make peace at any time, but only on the ground of absolute independence."

TELEGRAPHIC ITEMS

Two new cases of bubonic plague were reported at Sydney, (N. S. W.), on March 20th.

The Chinese authorities admit themselves unable to protect American missionaries in the interior of China, and the United States are in a quandary as to the best method of affording them relief.

The city council at Astoria, Or., have offered a bounty of five cents for every dead rat delivered to the Chief of Police.

An effort is being made to settle the famous Carnegie-Frick suit out of court.

The Senate Committee on Naval Affairs have reported to the Senate the Pacific cable bill drafted by Senator Hale, which provides for a present cable only to Honolulu.

President McKinley will visit San Francisco in July to attend the launching of the Ohio. Governor Nash and many other prominent Ohioans will be present.

The Detroit has sailed from Havana to Greytown to look after American interests there.

The Portuguese authorities have dispatched a force of infantry by special train from Lourenco Marques to reinforce their garrison on the Transvaal border.

Famine in India is increasing. There are now 4,810,000 persons employed in relief work.

It is likely that Captain Leary will be relieved of his gubernatorial duties at Guam on the 1st of July.

In the House it was unanimously agreed on Mar. 10th, to take up the Senate bill providing a territorial form of government for the Hawaiian Islands on April 3, and take a final vote on the amendment on Thursday, April 5, at 4 p. m.

Five deaths recently occurred at Adelaide, South Australia, from what is supposed to be bubonic plague.

Maud S., Bonner's famous trotting mare died recently and was given an imposing funeral.

The 200th anniversary of the opening of the Academy of Science at Berlin was celebrated March 19. Emperor William delivered an address.

The remains of Rev. Thomas K. Beecher were cremated at Buffalo. In accordance with the often expressed wish of Beecher no ceremonies whatever were held.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson is preparing to experiment in rubber culture on a large scale on the Hawaiian Islands.

It is rumored that Russia intends to ask Turkey for a coaling station in the archipelago, either in Lemnos, Imbros or Mytilene.

Arrangements are being made for the immediate establishment of a naval station at Pearl Harbor, Hawaiian Islands.

Bishop Hurst recently announced that President McKinley would at the conclusion of his services as a public officer, accept the position of Professor of International Law in the American University at Washington.

One death and two fresh cases of plague were officially reported at Sydney, Mar. 19.

Cecil Rhodes has sailed from Cape Town to England.

There is no truth in the report that Osman Pasha is dead. He is merely sick.

The Silver Republican party will hold a national convention at Kansas City, July 4th next.

The Canadian and Mexican Governments have declared San Francisco an infected port and will quarantine all vessels coming from there.

There are signs that President Zelaya is willing to sell the canal route outright to the United States.

The Chicago Board of Education has dropped English history from the school curriculum at the demand of the Ancient Order of Hibernians.

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G. D. Diney, " "	Lahaina
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A BOUQUET.

The appointment of Mr. G. B. Robertson to the office of District Magistrate for Wailuku is not meeting the approval of the people of that district, and we have received a number of letters from the most prominent people of Maui which are anything but complimentary to the powers who selected for the important office a man who is a perfect malibul and who does not understand a word of the Hawaiian language. What possesses Mr. Dole and his advisers to make breaks like the appointment of Mr. Robertson, is beyond our comprehension. They certainly must understand that such action on their part means utter destruction to their political influence and that even the men to whom, in the future they might look for support will throw them overboard and become their bitterest foes. Judge Kaleikau had acted as District Magistrate for Wailuku while Judge McKay was attending to the post office or building a road at Nahiku. Kaleikau was doing fairly well and it would have been proper to have offered to him the judgeship instead of selecting a man who is unknown here except that he is running a newspaper, and we believe a hotel. We have not a word to say against Mr. Robertson, because we have never met him or heard of him, but we feel convinced that no scathing criticism of Wailuku's new judge will ever appear in the columns of the MAUI NEWS. However Mr. Dole's policy of patronizing the malibul suits our political game. It is not for us to stop our opponents from making egregious asses of themselves. And that is what Dole is doing.—Independent.

Volney Vailancourt Ashford.

Volney Vailancourt Ashford is dead. The man whose name figures with so much prominence in the history of the Hawaiian Islands is no more. News of the passing away of this soldier, lawyer and politician in San Francisco was brought here by the Mariposa.

Ashford was a Canadian, Port Hope, Ontario, being his native town; he was trained for the law, joined the Union army when hardly 16 and served two years, seeing much service. He was a Grand Army man. Before he reached his eighteenth birthday he was promoted to a commission in the cavalry. Later he served as a volunteer in Canada. He left the Dominion for these Islands in 1884 and ranked at that time a captain and a brevet major. His rank as colonel was given him here.

V. V. Ashford was associated with his brother Clarence in the practice of law in this city. When the Revolutionary League was formed in 1886 he succeeded Aldrich as commander of the Honolulu Rifles. Afterwards, when he had made over the command into a battalion of four companies, Kalakaua gave him the commission of lieutenant colonel. The Rifles, it will be remembered, guarded the mass meeting of June 30, 1887, held in the Armory, which, through its demand, obtained the resignation of the Gibson Ministry and a new Constitution. Later the Cabinet advised the King to commission Ashford as colonel of the entire forces, but Kalakaua claimed the power of making his own choice. Later the Rifles were disbanded.—Advertiser.

ISLAND NEWS

FROM HONOLULU

The seventy-first case of bubonic plague in Honolulu was discovered last Saturday afternoon about 6 o'clock. At 9 o'clock the patient was dead, and early yesterday morning the body was cremated on Quarantine Island.

Catherine Sullivan, age 13, from her home on Liliha and School streets, was the victim. Dr. Camp attended the case and found it extremely suspicious, and reported it as such and the usual precautions were taken. Dr. Hoffmann performed the autopsy and discovered unmistakable signs of plague. The house from which the girl was taken is strictly guarded and the inhabitants have been removed into quarantine.—Advertiser.

HONOLULU, April 2.—2 p. m.—Several cases of sickness in different parts of the city are being closely watched by the faculty.

One is that of Sarah Lee in Ah In lane, Palama. Others are withheld from publication to prevent stampedes of neighbors. None are absolutely suspicious of being plague. In one instance a person gave notice of sickness in a neighbor's house. Reference to the district inspector's book showed the case to be attended by a physician, while three physicians altogether had patients in the same yard.

At this afternoon's meeting Dr. Wood will propose Dr. C. L. Garvin for medical executive officer of the Board of Health. This appointment was forecast in the Bulletin on Saturday. Dr. Wood will retain the presidency of the Board for the present, but states he does not desire the position permanently.—Bulletin.

plague situation. People over there are wondering at what seems to them the eagerness of the Honolulu authorities in declaring their port infected.—Bulletin.

Good judgment of the Council of State is shown in the tendency toward liberality in dealing with the schools. There is hardly a district of the Islands where the schools are not crippled for lack of funds. The emergency is an ever present one when school houses are crowded beyond the proper capacity and the number of teachers is not sufficient to supply the educational demands of the constantly increasing number of pupils.—Bulletin.

Wanted, an electric plant. With 1600 horse power running to waste down Iao Valley, it is strange that some enterprising electrical concern has not seized the opportunity of establishing an electrical light and power plant at Wailuku. If electrical heat can be utilized for cooking, as asserted, this delay is still more strange. Lights, heat and power are needed both at Wailuku and Kahului, and with modern appliances for harnessing lightning and making it bear the white man's burden, it should be only a question of a short time until we have our streets lighted, our dinners cooked and our machinery run by electric power.

Now that the strain of the quarantine is over, the attention of the customs officers is respectfully invited to the opium traffic. It is an open secret in certain quarters that somewhere in the neighborhood of \$2500.00 worth of the drug was recently landed at Kihei. Of course it is difficult for the officers of the law to get on the inside of these matters and still harder to find the guilty parties or the drug. But the fact that one Chinaman was caught this week peddling tins of opium is evidence both that the traffic is lively and that the police are on the qui vive.

It is to be hoped that a hospital for incurables will be established in Honolulu, and the people of Maui will have the privilege of sharing its hospitality. Last week a man was taken sick in Wailuku with what appeared to be the preliminary stages of consumption and he was unable for love or money to get into the hospital here. True the hospital at Wailuku is terribly overcrowded, but even if it were not, such cases as his are not taken there. It seems incredible that any enlightened government should not make provisions for such cases.

The expected has happened. The 31st of March has arrived and the Wailuku water works are not completed. The government seems to be doing what it can to remedy the mischief caused by the delay. Of course the money will be forthcoming in a short time, but it seems too bad that the work should be delayed at all. It is to be hoped that the public spirited citizens of Maui will come to the rescue of the government and keep the work under headway until Act 4 becomes operative.

If bubonic plague is really in San Francisco, and there seems little room to doubt it, no more foolish policy could possibly be adopted by the people of San Francisco than to deny or belittle it. The outside world will readily know all about it and quarantine against it. And if it really appears that the authorities in San Francisco are suppressing any of the facts concerning it, they will not be readily trusted when the time comes for them to declare the city free from plague.

Attention is cordially invited to the bouquet which the Independent tosses us. Permit us to make one correction, Independent, relative to our ignorance of the Hawaiian language. Do you suppose it possible for any one to start and run a news and job office without learning meaning of the word "pilikia" in all its moods and tenses? Give us credit for having at least learned the meaning of that word.

A proper distinction should be observed between the Bow Wong Association of Honolulu and the highbinder organizations of San Francisco. Doubtless the Bow Wong is a political rather than a benevolent organization, but its movement is in the direction of advancement, as opposed to the conservative policy of the Empress of China, and full scope should be given it to perfect its organization.

Large amounts of goods are being brought to Maui directly from the Coast, but not enough to supply the demand, and there has been a scarcity of foodstuffs and general supplies lately. No ham, no bacon, no cereals, no cigars, and but little of any thing else, make the people of Maui sigh for the fleshpots of Honolulu.

There is getting to be entirely too much "gun play" on Maui. The complaining witness in a case in the District Court this week complacently told of his having fired at a drunk who disturbed his slumbers. Needless to say, he received a severe reprimand from the Court for his recklessness.

If the Rev. Sheldon's religion retained its sweetness and warmth after his early morning experiences in getting his paper ready for press, it may safely be regarded as the genuine article. No wonder he felt inclined to pardon "language" used by the pressmen at such times.

The Honolulu papers are urging a crusade against rats. No surer means could be adopted to rid Honolulu of plague than to rid it of rats, and it is to be hoped that the Board of Health and the citizens generally will sustain the papers in their crusade.

San Francisco will probably now exercise a little more common sense and leniency toward Honolulu, since the eruption of the plague there has taught them a practical lesson as to what it means to a city to be quarantined against.

The Kinder Garden Court.

The Chamber of Commerce wants the claims for losses by sanitary fires to be adjusted by business men and not by lawyers. The Court of Claims as named two days ago and as now sitting is composed of five lawyers—J. A. Magoon, Lorrin Andrews, Geo. A. Davis, A. F. Judd, Jr. and A. N. Kepoikali. Yesterday the Chamber of Commerce at a meeting in which intense interest was shown, drew up a resolution stating its disapproval of the court as at present constituted and directed that a copy of the resolution be sent to President Dole.

Meanwhile the Court of Claims sat in its rooms in the Judiciary building. Four members only were present, as one, A. N. Kepoikali, is now on Maui. The court has not yet considered any claims. It has been busy in arranging the detail of its methods. A formal petition has been drawn up which will be printed. This will have in it blanks for the scheduling of losses and will be the required form for use by claimants.

The four members of the court had nothing to say on the action of the Chamber of Commerce. President Magoon said that the rumor that the commissioners would resign was baseless as far as he knew. They had not discussed the matter at all, he said, and he for one was not prepared to say what stand he would take in the premises. "We are going ahead with our business, and as we are legally appointed and qualified I cannot see anything to stop us."—Advertiser.

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That cruelty qualifies for crime—they are close neighbors.

That blinders are useless and injurious. Cut them off!

That he who abuses a horse will abuse his wife, or children.

That it is wise to put yourself in his place—and think it over.

—The Humane Educator.

New Illuminant.

Experiments have been conducted recently at the naval proving station at Indian Head, on the Potomac river, with an invention designed to do away with the necessity of using searchlights on shipboard on occasions when it is desired to "pickup" objects within a limited distance and yet conceal the ship's position from an enemy. The invention consists of a shell filled with gas. When the shell explodes it illuminates a considerable area. Its one weak point is that so far no shell has been found with walls sufficiently heavy to withstand the shock of the explosion required to project it more than a mile or two. Four and six inch rifles have so far been used in the trials and the best results secured have been with a shell that explodes and sets the fuses burning when one mile distant from the ship.

Lieut. Strauss, who has charge of the station, has made some very successful trials with the invention recently, and is encouraged to believe that if a shell can be made which will stand the shock of exit from the rifle and at the same time explode at the proper range, a light can be produced that will answer many purposes of the searchlight and have the advantage of not disclosing the precise location of the vessel firing the torch. Its usefulness would be apparent in a close harbor, where it might not be advisable to use a searchlight at all times.

After the tests have been concluded at Indian Head, several specially made projectiles filled with the new invention will be sent to some of the ships with the request that they continue the trials when practicable. It is believed that a shell can be manufactured capable of discharging explosives at a distance of at least five miles.

The HUMANE EDUCATOR.

The first number of this publication is at hand. Its purpose is to stop the beating of animals, dog fights, overloading cars, overloading teams, the use of tight check-reins, overdriving, clipping dogs' ears and tails, underfeeding, neglect of shelter for animals, bleeding calves for the purpose of making white veal, plucking live fowls and driving galled and disabled animals.

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Also to induce children to be humane, teachers to teach kindness towards animals, clergymen to preach it, authors to write it, editors to keep it before the people, drivers and trainers of horses to try kindness, owners of animals to feed regularly, people to protect insectivorous birds, boys not to molest birds' nests, and people to appreciate the intelligence and virtues of an animal.

Will Live in Honolulu.

Herbert P. Williams, literary editor of the Boston Herald, who has been here several weeks writing letters about Hawaii to his paper, has become enamored of tropical life and will stay. He sent by the last steamer for his family and furniture. Mrs. Williams, who will soon join him, has filled his responsible post on the Herald in his absence and will be a decided acquisition to the circles of cultivated women in Honolulu. Mr. Williams is a graduate of Harvard and was a working companion of Mr. Whitmarsh, at present The Outlook's Philippine correspondent, during the Cuban war.—Advertiser.

Ned Macfarlane Home.

E. C. Macfarlane held an informal reception in Merchant street and at his office this morning, his many friends welcoming him back from long absence in San Francisco. He says the press San Francisco has been induced to keep down the city's

A Test Case.

Mr. Marshal, editor of the Sunday Volcano, has surrendered to his bail and is confined at the Station House. Mr. Marshal was convicted of libel and sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the District Court and his appeal to the Circuit Court is yet pending. It is understood that a test case will be made in the matter. Mr. DeBolt is attorney for Marshal.—Independent.

THE CABINET.

(Monday, March 26.)

The draft of rules to govern the court of claims is about ready this afternoon and will probably be announced tomorrow. President Dole states the personnel of the court has been decided upon, but as all have not accepted, the names will not be announced until tomorrow. It is calculated that the court will be able to get to work this week.

A letter from H. P. Baldwin read at the Cabinet meeting this morning, inquired if the Wailuku and Kahului water works would be delayed on account of the near approach of the end of the financial period under the loan act, which is March 31. There was a second letter from Engineer Taylor on the same subject. It was intimated that if there was likely to be a halt in proceedings Maui parties would advance the money for the improvement. It was voted to reply that the appropriation would terminate with the end of this month, but that a new item for the purpose, amounting to \$16,000, had been placed in the bill now before the Council of State. If Maui parties wished to advance the money to prevent the work stopping they might do so, and would be reimbursed out of the appropriation when it was passed and approved by President McKinley.—Star.

ARMSTRONG SMITH RESIGNS.

Leaves Educational Work to Study Medicine and Surgery.

Armstrong Smith sent his resignation as principal of the Kaula School to the Minister of Public Instruction yesterday, and if his successor can be appointed prior to the departure of the Australia next month, he will leave on that vessel for the United States and Europe, to commence the study of medicine and surgery. His resignation was a surprise to the Board of Education and to his friends, although he has contemplated the action of yesterday for several weeks. It was a hard struggle for him to arrive at the conclusion reached, which means that he will give up all educational work for the future, devoting himself entirely to the study and ultimate practice of medicine.

FROM HAWAII

FROM THE HONO HERALD.

Still in Doubt.

Whether glanders has appeared among the animals at Olaa plantation or whether the disease is something else seems to be undecided, but a majority of the veterinarians who have seen the animals agree that the disease is glanders. Dr. H. B. Elliott, the local veterinarian, declared on examination of the diseased mules that glanders was the complaint. He afterwards had the animals examined by Dr. Defoe of the transport Aztec, Dr. Bishop of the Conemaugh, Dr. Kelly of the Leelanaw and Dr. Owens of the Lennox. These surgeons agreed with Dr. Elliot's diagnosis, Dr. Bishop going so far as to say that a post-mortem was not necessary. Dr. Jones, of the Saim, took a different view from his colleagues and said emphatically that the disease was not glanders. The sugar company decided, then, to have a consultation of surgeons at which Drs. Jones, Elliot and Owens should be present. This was held at 10 a. m. Tuesday and it was there decided to shoot the one horse that was sick. Before a post-mortem was held Dr. Owens was called back to the transport and an examination was held by Drs. Elliot and Jones. Each was as emphatic as before and an agreement could not be reached. Portions of the glands were removed and packed in ice for removal to Honolulu where they will be examined by veterinarians there. Dr. Elliot states that he found sufficient bacilli of glanders to inoculate every horse on the islands.

LOCALS

Rags, please.

More April showers.

Dr. Davison of Lahaina has been quite sick, but is recovering.

Mr. J. C. Long, of Kihel, was in Wailuku on business on Tuesday.

Recent heavy rains in Makawao have greatly benefited the cattle ranges.

The balance of the pipe for the Wailuku waterworks arrived on the Lurline.

FOR SALE.—A new Krueger Piano. For further particulars apply to,

W. A. SMITH.

W. A. Smith has resigned as head lina of the Wailuku plantation and has been succeeded by Frank Sumnerfield.

Dr. Winslow has gone to Lahaina and it is rumored that he will be offered the position of government and plantation physician at Lahaina.

It was the captain and not the steamer Cleveland which the Mikahala had in tow last Friday night at Kihel. Don't do that again, Central.

The Lanai launch Tahulah, Captain Kemi, comes over from Maaui to Kihel every Thursday morning, returning to Lanai the same afternoon.

C. H. Dickey left for Honolulu yesterday on the Keolu. He will take the next Australia for the coast and be gone for about two months.

The resolutions adopted by the Maui Sanitary Committee are in quarantine at Kahului and we have been unable to see them. Hope to publish them in full next week.

Several plantation teams are engaged in hauling rock to the reservoir site, to be used as a foundation for the cement with which the bottom of the reservoir will be lined.

Supt. Jack Atkinson has so far recovered as to be able to take a trip to Makawao. He is spending a few days with L. von Tempusky and will shortly leave for Honolulu.

We must request those who have ordered job work from us this week to be patient. Every effort is being made to supply Mr. Helmick's place in the job office, so far without success.

The Bismark Stables are still at the front. Harry Eldredge is helping them out in their booking department, temporarily. Plenty of hacks and saddle-horses constantly on hand, and business seems quite lively.

Thomas Halstead, Telephone Tommy, left for Honolulu on Thursday to work for the Honolulu Telephone Co. He was very popular here, and deservedly so, on account of his obliging manner of manipulating the "Hello".

Dr. Garvin was summoned Honolulu on Friday and left on the Mikahala. Dr. Weddick has returned to Wailuku and resumed his regular practice, and Mr. Zuniwalt has charge of quarantine matters.

Mrs. Wells and daughter did not succeed in getting away last week on the Mikahala, as stated. Just as they were ready to start for the steamer, they were telephoned that the steamer would not take passengers.

A meeting of the Maui Sanitary Committee was held at Kahului this week and the stringency of the quarantine was materially relaxed. The utmost precautions however are still to be observed so far as the actually infested portions of the town are concerned.

MEETING NOTICE.—A meeting of the Maui Racing Association will be held at Wailuku Court House on Saturday, April 14th, at 7:30 o'clock, P. M. All members are urgently requested to attend.

GEORGE HOXS,
Secretary Maui Racing Association.

Mr. Helmick, foreman of the mechanical department of the NEWS, was taken quite ill last Saturday morning just before the hour of going to press, and has been confined to his bed ever since. Two understudies, Frank Ems and John Uu, have the mechanical department in charge this week, and we submit to our readers whether or not they have risen to the occasion.

The streets of Wailuku presented quite a metropolitan aspect this week, long ditches being dug along the main street for the reception of the water pipe, long strings of la-

borers excavating for the water pipe and gangs of pipe layers following them, being the striking features of the scene.

About all of the cane has been taken off of the burnt district at Spreckelsville and killed. The yield of this cane has averaged between nine and ten tons. The yield would have been over ten tons to the acre but for the fire. The Spreckelsville mill turned out 180 tons of sugar per day and the Pala and Hamakunipo mills took care of the rest of it.

SHIPPING

The Rosamond.

Captain Turner is now building at Benicia what will be the largest wooden sailing vessel ever constructed at that place. It is the four-masted schooner Rosamond, to be owned by Williams, Diamond & Co., and will ply between San Francisco and the Hawaiian Islands, with Captain D. H. Ward, formerly of the bark Diamond Head, in command. The Rosamond is 212 feet long, beam 40 feet, and depth of hold 17 feet. She will be launched in May.

San Francisco, Mar. 21.—Under a moonlit sky, with a gentle breeze blowing and with no premonition of danger, the British ship City of Florence, bound to this port from Iquique with a cargo of niter, went to her doom on Montara reef, in Half-moon bay, thirty-seven miles down the coast, Monday night.

It was 9:30 o'clock, and Captain Stone, Third Mate William Tsomson and the sailmaker were on deck when the ship struck. Although the vessel was making only four knots an hour, the impact was so strong that the men were thrown to the deck. After the first recoil the ship again struck the reef and was carried bodily over the submerged ledge. The ship struck a third time this time a broadside blow, more terrifying than the others, and all hands knew that the ship was lost. The crew were landed safely.

Vessels in Port—Kahului.
Sch. Antiope, George W. Murray, Tacoma, Jan. 27.

Bk Nuanuu, W. H. Jesselyn, Honolulu, March 4.
Am. Sch. Mary Buhne, Weber, from Grays Harbor, March 17.
Brigantine Lurline, T. Claff, S. F., April 2.
Ship Emily F. Whitney, Pendleton, Maui, April 2.
Sch. Mckihana, Joseph Koolau.

Vessels Arrived—Kahului.
Ship Emily F. Whitney, Pendleton, Apr. 2, 61 days from Manila in ballast.

Bgtn Lurline, Turloff, Apr. 2, 17 days from S. F. with general merchandise.
Bark Heydn Brown, Paulsen, Apr. 6, 81 days from N. S. W. Coal.
Stmr Claudine, McDonald, Apr. 6, from Honolulu.

Kihel.
Am. Sch. Metha Nelson, Rice, Apr. 4, from S. F.
Launch Tahula, Kanui, Apr. 5, Lanai

Vessel Departed.
Stmr Bloemfontein, Blöelach, Mar. 31, for S. F. with 65000 bags sugar.

Schr Novelty, Rosendal, Apr. 1, for Shealwater Bay, in ballast.
Kihel.
Launch Tahula, Kanui, Apr. 5, for Lahaina and Lanai.

Vessels to Sail.
Schr Mary Buhne, Weber, Apr. 6, for Grays Harbor, in ballast.
Bark Nuanuu, Jesselyn, Apr. 6, for Philadelphia, 27500 bags sugar.

Vessels to Arrive.
Stmr Centennial, Eagles, Apr. 6, from S. F. General cargo.

Honolulu Post Office Time Table.

DATE	NAME	FROM
April 7	Hongkong Maru	San Fr.
" 10	Nippon Maru	San Francisco
" 11	Australia	San Francisco
" 11	Mowera	Colonies
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" 14	China	San Francisco
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LATEST TELEGRAPHIC NEWS

Continued Successes of the British in South Africa. Boers Despondent. Plague in San Francisco.

LONDON, Mar. 23, 4 a. m.—Again there is a persistent rumor that Mafeking has been relieved. It is even asserted that the War Office has received a dispatch positively announcing the relief, but that publication of it is withheld because the form of the message admitted the possibility of a mistake. The War Office, however, says there is no confirmation of the rumor and that no further news on the subject is at hand. No attention is paid in any quarter to the wild Boer rumors of Commandant Oliver's victory over General Gatacre, which are only designed to revive the drooping spirits of the burghers.

It seems certain that Mafeking's only chance lay in relief by the column supposed to be advancing from the south, or in the possibility that Colonel Baden-Powell is still strong enough to attempt a sortie with a view of capturing the Boer guns at a time when Commandant Tymman has withdrawn his men to oppose Colonel Plummer's advance.

All reports regarding the British operations in the Free State continue most satisfactory.

Nothing has developed regarding General Buller's intentions, but it seems hard to believe that he is again embarking General Warren's division.

It is reported from Lourenco Marques that Pretoria is prepared to stand a siege of two years, and that the Boer women, frantic at the reverses to the Boer arms, are entreating to be allowed to shoot the British officers imprisoned at Pretoria.

It is also announced from the Transvaal capital that the Italian Government has declined to intervene.

KIMBERLEY, Thursday, Mar. 22.—There was a smart artillery duel near Warrenton yesterday morning.

A battery under Major Blewitt, supported by the Kimberley Light Horse, located the Boers, who employed four guns, two of which were inoperative, but ineffectively. The British battery replied with effect and silenced the Boer fire. The Boers sent two shells near the railway station, which was not damaged.

A scouting party got too close to the bank of the river and encountered a hot fire. The men were unable to get away and it was impossible to relieve them without loss, the party being obliged to wait for darkness in order to escape. The party retired with only one wounded.

This morning brisk firing was resumed at Warrenton about 6:30, but it has now slackened up. A detachment of fusiliers has arrived.

Two Vryburg inhabitants who have been imprisoned by the Boers, were sent into Warrenton under a white flag, after being taken from laager to laager around the district. They say that the flag gun from Kimberley has been taken through Christiana to Pretoria. There are women and children in nearly every laager. Trains now run within eight miles of Warrenton.

WARRENTON, Thursday, Mar. 22.—The Boers have vacated Klipdam and Widsorton, which are almost deserted. Their wives and families have fled with them. The sank the ponts, or ferry boats, at Riverton and Widsorton. The vaal river can only be crossed by swimming. The country this side of the river is well patrolled by the British.

MASERU (Basutoland), Thursday, March 22.—Several thousands of Boers, with a huge convoy of wagons, have been passing from Smithfield and Wepener toward Ladybrand during the last two days. It is supposed that the Boer forces have retired from Norvals Point, Bethulie and Stormberg on their way north. The Government officers are taking observations at the present moment.

PARAMOUNT Chief Lerothodi has arrived here with a large following and is conferring with the British agent, Sir Godfrey Lagden.

A dispatch to the "Times" from Kimberley, dated Thursday, says: "The date of the departure of the Mafeking column from here has not yet been fixed. The head of the railway has reached Capetown, about thirty-five miles north of Kimberley. The point at Fourteen Streams is guarded by our troops. Skirmishing

continues around Warrenton. The Boers are reported to have four guns, but this is doubtful."

BLOEMFONTEIN, Mar. 22.—General French with a brigade of cavalry and mounted infantry has arrived at Thabanchu and opened heliographic communication with Maseru. He reports all well.

LONDON, Mar. 23.—A dispatch to the "Daily News" from Springfontein, dated Wednesday morning, March 21st, says:

"General Gatacre and his staff are still here. He is most strict regarding the private property of the Boers. Some Kaffirs who had looted Boer farms have been tried and severely punished, to the astonishment and gratification of the Boer resident.

LONDON, Mar. 21.—With Colonel Baden-Powell and his gallant soldiers, starving in Mafeking, and women and children dying of hunger and fever, a storm of indignation broke on General Lord Methuen's head today when a telegram from Kimberley was received stating that the relief expedition was stalled at Fourteen Streams.

Day after day the public has waited, with hope keenly tempered by anxiety, to learn of the rescue of the force. The relief army started on its march of 223 miles two weeks ago, and in that time it has marched only forty-eight miles.

Little hope is left for Baden-Powell's rescue. Nothing has been heard from him since Mar. 16th, and then the garrison was on quarter rations. The only meat supply was horse flesh.

LONDON, Mar. 22.—The Cape Town correspondent of the "Daily Mail," telegraphing Tuesday says:

"I have just arrived from Bloemfontein, where I learned that no further movement is probable for three weeks, no negotiations are proceeding. I failed to ascertain the nature of the negotiations, or whether Sir Alfred Milner's departure from Cape Town is connected with them, but I should not be surprised if the war collapses quickly."

A dispatch to the "Standard" from Bloemfontein, dated Tuesday, says:

"Four thousand Transvaalers from Zolzburg trekked on Saturday and Sunday to the northeast, going by way of the Basutoland border. They will probably be caught at one of the passes.

St. Joseph (Mo.), March 23.—A lone robber wearing a false face, with a huge black mustache painted on the mask, held up the southbound Kansas City, St. Joseph and Council Bluffs train four miles south of Hamburg, Iowa, at 1:30 o'clock this morning.

The robbery was reported to the Burlington general office here from Langdon, the first station south of Hamburg. The robber is described as being short of stature and heavy set.

HAMILTON (Ohio), March 22.—President Seila S. McKee and the faculty of the Western College for Women, a famous seminary on the Mount Holyoke plan at Oxford, raided a secret society that has existed in the college for six years, last midnight during an initiation, captured the thirteen members, carried off the ritual of the society and the roll of its members from the day of its organization. The members were locked up on bread and water until today, it is said, and this afternoon every one was expelled or suspended.

The constitution of the college forbids secret societies and this is why the punishment was so severe. One of the society's rules limited its membership to the unlucky thirteen.

HELENA (Mont.), Mar. 22.—The Postal Telegraph Company is prepared to bring suits in three counties in Montana for the purpose of condemning a right of way for its line into Butte from the south. The actions will be instituted probably to-morrow in Beaverhead, Madison and Silver Bow counties against the Oregon Short Line Railway Company. The complaints that have been drawn cover the right of way demanded from the Idaho line to Butte.

HAIKU SCHOOL MOURNS.

The funeral of Kalei, a recent member of the Haiku school, took place on Tuesday last. She died Monday, after a lingering illness of over three months.

She was a faithful and industrious student, and on that account, as for her quiet attention and pleasant ways, was alike beloved by her teacher and playmates.

The funeral was attended by a large number of friends and the entire school. The school marched in military order, laden with beautiful floral tributes, last tokens of love, to strew upon her grave. The music for the occasion was very sweetly rendered by the school.

LAHAINA LOCALS.

Japanese Strike at Lahaina.

About six hundred Japanese are on a strike at Lahaina and about two hundred at Olowalu. They are all assembled in the Court House yard at Lahaina, and the Lahaina Japanese also have a place fortified back of the town near the Church.

Manager Hannelberg states that the only known cause of complaint which the Olowalu Japanese have is that they are not paid off promptly on the last day of the month. It is a physical impossibility to do this, however as several days are necessarily consumed by the bookkeeper in making up the pay roll.

Several causes also led up to the present trouble. The Japanese have wanted an indemnity for the two Japanese who were killed by the falling of a chimney, some time since, and they have also made some complaint about their quarters.

The strike of the Lahaina Japanese was probably caused by the conviction of a Japanese on Tuesday last for having assaulted a luna with a cane knife and cut two serious gashes in his hand.

The frequent arrival of steamers, six weeks from Honolulu and Hawaii, make things begin to look like ante-plague times.

Rev. W. Ault came over to Wailuku Thursday and will hold divine services at the Anglican Church to-morrow.

Matt. McCann, the Lahaina saloonist, may be expected in Wailuku today or to-morrow.

The Olowalu and Pioneer Mills are shut down on account of the strike.

LOST DRAFTS.

Drafts No. 47 for \$500.00, No. 48 for \$100.00, and No. 49 for \$150.00, dated February 14th, drawn by the Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company on Alexander and Baldwin, Honolulu, and payable to Tang You, have been lost. Payment has been stopped and all persons are warned against negotiating same.

HAWAIIAN COMMERCIAL AND SUGAR COMPANY.

NOTICE

The Merciful Man

Regards the Life of His Beast. . . .

The undersigned begs leave to inform his friends and the public that he is in the business of horse dentistry, rasping or shaping horses' teeth which have become abnormal in shape. I have just received a fine class of instruments from the East for this work and guarantee satisfaction in all work. Horsemen understand and practice this treatment. I do business on the "no cure, no pay" principle. Will examine free of charge and leave owner to examine and see if the work is needed.

A noted horseman says: "The first thing I do with a colt whose speed I wish to develop is to have a veterinary dentist examine his teeth, for if his teeth are not all right he will not come up and take a good, strong hold of the bit." This is equally true of saddle, driving and work horses, and mules.

The only difference between my work and that of a veterinary dentist is that where he charges \$5 I only charge \$2.50, with a slight reduction for a number of animals.

C. B. MILES,
Wailuku, March 24, 1900.

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For the MAUI NEWS

NOTICE.—The Undersigned has purchased the Lahaina Restaurant owned formerly by W. A. Yeats, and is conducting the same. No responsibility will be assumed by undersigned for any debts contracted by said restaurant prior to Mar. 31, 1900.
Eino Hon.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At a meeting of the shareholders of the "Hui Aiea o Huelo Maui," held at Huelo, Maui, on Thursday, the 8th day of March, 1900, the following officers were elected to serve in accordance with the Constitution and By-Laws of said Hui:

HON. A. N. KAPOKAI, President
HON. H. P. BALDWIN, Vice-President
F. C. ALLEN, Esq., Secretary
W. J. LOWRIE, Esq., Treasurer
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AN UNDESERVING BEGGAR.

BY HOWARD FIELDING.

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Crowded close to the curb of Sixth avenue in the New York shopping district sat a beggar man on a rickety camp stool. He seemed to be 60 years old, but the poor age rapidly. He might have been much younger. He chafed his hands together and the wind went hurrying up the avenue, and it tossed the old man's white hair about his ears as he took off his battered hat and laid it appealingly in his lap.

On that side of the thoroughfare the breeze and the crowd were moving in the same direction, and they seemed to take about equal heed of the beggar's plight. Presently he began to sing an old-time, sentimental ballad in a weak but not unmusical voice. The elevated railroad trains rumbled and roared, and the electric cars contributed the rattle of their wheels and the whining whirr of their motive machinery, but the beggar was not to be discouraged by a discordant accompaniment or an unsympathetic audience. He sang his best despite all.

There was a pretty girl in the crowd who had an ear attuned to everything musical. She recognized some merit in the beggar's singing, and she paused to hear him. No one else paid the slightest attention to his music, and he received no alms until, just as the song was done, a robust and handsome young man dressed in good style approached and put some money into the hat.

"Heaven bless you, sir!" said the beggar. "This is the first penny I've had this day."

"Penny?" cried the young man. "Did I give you a penny? I thought it was a dime!" And he immediately began to fish for coins in the small pocket in his overcoat.

But the beggar hastened to explain that it wasn't a penny. What he had meant to say was that he hadn't had a penny before that.

"Sing another song as well as you sang the last one and I'll give you a quarter," said the young man.

This colloquy had excited some attention, and a score of people were grouped in front of the beggar as he prepared to earn his fee. He sang "My Old Kentucky Home," and when he came to the chorus his benefactor supplied a tenor that was clear and sweet as the note of a flute.

The duet furnished by this strangely assorted pair would have found favor with a much more critical audience, but it was probably the unusual spectacle rather than the excellence of the music which impressed this knot of shopping women. The result, in the beggar's hat, must have been nearly \$2, for the pretty girl who has been already mentioned enthusiastically started the collection with a half.

The beggar, evidently realizing that he had, as the slang phrase goes, struck a good thing, hastily started another old-time negro melody, and as he did so he looked up out of the corner of his eye at the real cause of his prosperity, but the young man seemed to feel that he had attracted more attention than was agreeable, and he prepared to fight.

At this moment, however, he caught the eye of the pretty girl, and its glance was bent upon him appealingly. He stopped, hesitated a moment with flushed face, and then with an air of good humored recklessness stepped



"PENNY! DID I GIVE YOU A PENNY?"

back to the beggar's side and once more lent the gentle magic of his voice to the cause of charity.

He got through two verses and then fled; but as he passed the pretty girl he received his just reward, for she said "Thank you" very sweetly and just loud enough for him to hear. There was another glance between them. Then he lifted his hat and hurried away.

The pretty girl floated up the avenue with the tide of humanity, which presently swept her into a big dry goods store. She knew that she had intended to make a purchase there, but she couldn't remember what was the article desired. The only thing she could think of was a tenor voice, and if she had been searching for one in the stock of the store her wanderings from counter to counter could not have been more fruitless. She eventually left the place empty handed.

When she got home, the pretty girl related the adventure of the beggar to her mother, Mrs. Harriet Alston, widow of the banker and philanthropist, who died at Newport two years ago

last summer. Mrs. Alston remarked that it must have been well worth seeing, but she thought her daughter shouldn't have spoken to the stranger.

"It won't do any harm, mother," replied pretty Miss Anne in a tone not quite as cheerful as her ordinary. "I shall never see him again."

It was on Broadway near Grace church that a few days later Anne Alston again encountered the musical beggar. He was just planting his camp stool near the curb. She had a singular feeling of owing him something, and she walked hastily up and gave him a few small coins.

The old fellow looked dejected, and he was obviously suffering from a



"IT WOULD BE SO KIND OF YOU, HERE IS MY CARD."

severe cold, for the voice with which he gave thanks was very hoarse. One might have expected music like a crow's from him, yet he began a ballad quite tunelessly.

Suddenly he tripped in the melody, and Anne saw that something had startled him. Following his glance, she beheld the young tenor coming along Tenth street westward. He saw the beggar within 20 yards of the Broadway corner and seemed to have an impulse to avoid him. Then, like the good Samaritan, he decided not to pass by on the other side.

As he came up the beggar stopped singing.

"Well, Mr. O'Mara," said the young man cheerily, "how's the luck today?"

"Bad—very bad, your honor," replied the beggar. "Ah, I'll never see the likes of that day on Sixth avenue!"

"Oh, yes, you will!" was the reply.

"But, I say, what's the matter with your voice?"

"I have the devil's own cold on me chist, savin' the lady's pristin'!" answered the beggar as he laid his hand upon the region of his trouble.

"You oughtn't to be out in this weather," said the young man, dropping his bantering manner and speaking in a tone of serious concern.

"It might ruin his voice forever," said Miss Alston, so much interested that she forgot to be conventional.

"I'm really afraid of it," said the young man, aside to her. "I believe I'll try to send the old fellow home for tonight at least."

He turned to the beggar.

"O'Mara," said he, "what'll you take to go home and stay there for two days?"

"I can't do it today, sir," was the reply. "The rent's to be paid, or out we all go."

"You have a family?" asked Anne.

"A wife and six children, ma'am," said he, "the oldest of 'em."

A rather flashy young woman standing behind O'Mara laughed irreverently, and the tenor looked somewhat disturbed. But Anne saw nothing extraordinary in this statement, and she looked on the beggar with greatly increased pity.

"Suppose I give you \$10," said she. "Will you agree not to sing upon the street again until your cold is better?"

"Heaven bless your kind young heart!" said the beggar. "Not a foot will I stir from me own bedside till I'm well ag'in, for it's me voice that's all I've got to keep the wolf from me door."

Before the young man could restrain her—though he made a move to do so—she had taken a \$10 bill from her purse and had put it into the beggar's hand.

O'Mara, with many words of gratitude, picked up his stool and trudged away.

"I hope he is worthy of your great kindness," said the tenor with deep respect. "but I am afraid!"

He paused as if at a loss just how to express his doubts.

"Why do you think him undeserving?" asked Anne.

"I'm afraid," he replied gently, "that he was not telling the truth just now."

"About his wife and children?" said she. "Indeed he was. I saw his sincerity in his face. I shall find out more about him and send some things to his house for the children. Oh, why didn't I ask him where he lives? You know his name. Perhaps you can tell me where to find him."

The tenor hesitated a moment. Then he said earnestly:

"If you will permit me to do so, I will try to investigate this man's case thoroughly for you."

"Oh! Will you?" she cried. "It would

be so kind of you. Here is my card. Please let me know about him as soon as you can."

In exchange for her card he gave her his, on which she read the name Douglass Wayne.

"I shall expect to see you tomorrow or the next day at the latest, Mr. Wayne," said she as they waited for a car which was to take her home.

He hesitated for a moment and seemed very much embarrassed.

"I could write," said he at last. "If it isn't convenient to have me call."

"Don't let that disturb you," said she. "You will call on a matter of business, and after we've settled that I hope you'll slug for me."

He tried to say something appropriate, but could only manage a "Good-by!" that was like a faithful school-boy's.

On the following afternoon Mr. Wayne called upon Miss Alston, and she received him alone in a manner as unconventionally friendly as their earlier acquaintance had been. But no cordiality of welcome could put Mr. Wayne at his ease.

"It's a pitiful story I've got to tell you," said he.

"About our friend, Mr. O'Mara?" queried Anne.

"Yes; about our friend, Mr. O'Mara, I've looked him up, and he is entirely unworthy. In fact, he's a fraud."

"Isn't he really poor?" she asked.

"Oh, yes, he's poor enough!"

"Then why shouldn't I help him? A man of his years—"

"Ah, there's the point!" said Wayne. "He isn't really old. He's only 24, and—"

"Twenty-four! And with a wife and six children!"

"No; he hasn't any children, and he isn't married. His name isn't O'Mara either, and he's not an Irishman. He's Scott Barman, a vaudeville performer. He and his partner had been out of an engagement for several months, and their money was gone almost to the last cent. They had an engagement in sight, but it looked as if they would starve to death in the meantime. At this juncture the partner—a worthless fellow who ought to be something better, for he comes of a good family and was well brought up and educated—suggested this scheme of street beggary. They squared matters with the police in the usual way and, I understand, have made quite a bit of money."

"That's just too funny for anything!" exclaimed Anne. And she laughed like a child. "It's a great joke on me! That fellow must be dreadfully clever. The idea of his fooling me in broad daylight! I'm sure he's welcome to my money!"

"I forced him to return it," said Wayne, drawing the identical \$10 bill from his pocket. "I was unwilling you should be robbed in that way."

"Robbed?" she cried. "Not a bit of it! I've had more than the money's worth, and I'd be very much obliged if you'd return it to him."

"I can't do that," he protested. "You see, it's not only that O'Mara is a fraud, but there's his rascally partner, who—"

"Oh, yes!" exclaimed Anne. "Tell me about the partner."

"Why, you see," said he, "the scheme they made up between them was that



ANNE GASPED FOR BREATH.

Barman should represent a poor old man, and that while he was singing to an unresponsive crowd the partner, dressed as a gentleman in the only good suit of clothes he has in the world, should come along and join in."

"Just as you did," said Anne. "Isn't that odd?"

"Yes," said he, looking at her a moment and then letting his head fall forward upon his breast. "Just as I did."

Anne gasped for breath.

"You, you?" she cried. "You are—No; it isn't possible!"

"It is true," he replied, turning away from her. "I am the concert hall singer, Douglass Wayne, a profligate and a rascal; last of all, a beggar on the street, but not quite all a thief, for I couldn't steal your money. Here it is, the whole sum, so far as Barman and I can remember."

He laid the money on a table and hurried toward the door.

"Wait! Wait!" she called after him. "You have done nothing wrong. Let us talk of this. Perhaps I can do something to help you."

"No," said he, pausing on the threshold. "You don't want to know me, and as for helping me, it's enough to have seen you—far more than I deserve to have been one minute your guest in your own home. Your class and mine are apart and ought to be. Good-by!"

A week later Wayne and Barman, the celebrated musical comedy duo, appeared at a place of amusement where "refined vaudeville" perennially holds the boards. Barman was dressed as a tramp and Wayne as a dude, in which character he wore an enormous chrysanthemum in his buttonhole. On the second evening he wore a much larger and finer one—the very rarest chrysanthemum in New York—which had been sent to the stage door in a box, but there was no visible clue to the identity of the giver.

LIKED TO BE ON TIME.

SO MR. JOHNSON TOLD MRS. JOHNSON REGARDING THE THEATER.

And the Good Wife Was Inconsiderate Enough to Take Him at His Word, Much to His Disgust and Unqualified Amusement.

"Mrs. Johnson," said Mr. Johnson when he got home at 4:30 the other afternoon, "just let me take this early opportunity to remind you again that we're scheduled to go to the theater this evening. It is my desire and purpose to reach the theater in time to see the rise of the curtain on the first act, for once in the whole course of my married life, this evening, I want to see the beginning of the show. I was unable to get able seats, and I feel unwilling on this particular occasion to trample seven or eight unoffending men and women underfoot in order to reach my seat just 14 minutes after the performance has begun, when the orchestra is rendering shivery music and the abused and starving woman with the diamonds is narrating the history of her life. Nor do I feel resigned this evening to the spectacle of your completing your toilet on the street after we start. Just see if you can't get out in time for us to make the break for the cars some, where in the neighborhood of 7:30, and you'll do me a favor."

Mrs. Johnson smiled and superintended the setting of the table. The dinner passed off quietly. After dinner Mr. Johnson settled himself in his easy chair and buried himself in The Star. Darkness began to creep on apace, and the lady novelists put it, and he illuminated the house. When he finished The Star, he picked up the copy of "David Harum" that Mrs. Johnson had been reading and plunged into it.

"This is the stuff they've been making such a row about," muttered Mr. Johnson to himself when he sat down with the book, and in less than eight minutes he had read 12 pages of it and had forgotten his name and number. Mrs. Johnson had disappeared up stairs some time previously, but he didn't even hear her moving about in her dressing room. After a while, however, she called him.

"It's getting late," she said. "Aren't you going to begin to dress?"

"Uh-huh," replied Mr. Johnson, turning over a page. He had only an indistinct idea of what she was saying. Ten minutes later she called to him again.

"I am pretty nearly ready," she said, "and it's 7:30. Aren't you going to change your clothes?"

"Um-m, uh-huh," answered Mr. Johnson, unconsciously digging into his pocket and pulling out another cigar, which he didn't light, but chewed on. He was too much engrossed with the book.

At 7:25 Mrs. Johnson tripped down stairs all ready. Even her gloves were buttoned.

"Well?" said she, smiling at Mr. Johnson.

"Huh?" he inquired, looking up at her. "Where are you going?"

"It seems to me that we had intended attending some theatrical performance this evening, had we not?"

Mr. Johnson surveyed her in a mystified way and then pulled out his watch.

"By Jingo, I believe there was something said about the theater this evening!" he exclaimed. "How's it happen that you're all ready? And why didn't you just tip me off, by the way, that it was time for me to be getting arrayed in purple and fine linen?"

"I called you several times," said Mrs. Johnson.

He laid the book down and regarded her severely.

"Called me several times, hey?" said he skeptically. "Mrs. Johnson, I don't claim to be getting any younger, like some people I know, but it's simply out of the question for you to attempt to make me believe that I'm as deaf as a post. Don't you suppose I could have heard you if you had leaned over the banisters, and talked above a whisper? But I see through your little game. Just because I happened to remind you this afternoon that it would be a good scheme for you to be ready on time you figured that it would be funny to sneak up stairs at about 5:30, walk around on tiptoe while you fixed up and permit me to doze off in my chair here, just so's you could have it on me about not being ready myself. S'pose you thought that was a really subtle scheme and hard to see through, hey?"

And he went muttering up stairs to get ready. He found the buttons all placed in his shirt and everything laid out on the chairs, but still he muttered. Mrs. Johnson didn't stand in the hall and shout up to him. "Hey, there, are you going to be all night getting those duds on?" as Mr. Johnson would have done under reversed circumstances.

At 8:20 he clomped down stairs with his tie very much mussed and at one side, his hair parted in several different places and with the sanguinary marks of several cuts he had inflicted upon himself in shaving still showing quite prominently. They reached the theater at 8:40, and seven persons had to stand to let them pass to their seats. Mr. Johnson sat and watched the remainder of the play in gloomy silence. He didn't say a word on the way home. As he got a bee line on the bed, with his hand on the gas key, preparatory to putting on the lights, however, he addressed her thus:

"Mrs. Johnson, a joke's a joke, but a put up job is a different sort of proposition. You weren't out for a light comedienne. The next time you feel inclined to be funny just count up to 184 and take seven steps to the rear. That'll give you a chance to decide to pass up your elephantine manifestations of humor. By the time you learn your limitations you are liable not to have any husband, and he won't be in Oak Hill either."—Washington Star.

The Saleslady's Romance.

"Yes, I'm in the necktie department now. I like it ever so much better than selling ribbons. Men are so much easier to suit than women. All you've got to do is smile at them and you can sell them any old thing. The women will linger over the whole stock and not buy 10 cents' worth—just as if a lady had nothing to do but show goods. Besides, I don't like the floorwalker in the ribbon department. The one we've got now is lovely. His name is Perkins—Horatio Perkins—and he's just as swell."

"And, say, can you keep a secret? He's—you won't tell a soul?—well, he's in love with me. No, he hasn't said so yet, but I can tell by the way he looks at me—never takes his eyes off me from morning till night. He's jealous, too, and that's a sure sign. You ought to've seen him yesterday when George came in to invite me to the bill poster's ball. George—he's my old steady, you know—well, he and I was standing there talking when Horatio—I mean Mr. Perkins—came along. He gave me an awful fierce look, but I never let on that I seen him, but just kept right on talking."

"Then he stopped right up to me and says, his voice quivering with suppressed emotion, he says: 'Miss Robinson,' he says, 'are you aware that there are half a dozen customers waiting for you?'"

"I know he only said that so as not to betray his real feelings, because when I turned around there wasn't any six customers there at all. There was only four."—New York Journal.

A Row at the Show.

The lord mayor's show is an annual theme for the newspapers. Very little can be said about it that has not been said again and again. It costs about £2,000, the banquet from £2,000 to £3,000. The show has sunk during the century to borrowing some of its splendors from the "property man." Thereby hangs a tale.

A certain lord mayor hired from the Surrey theater two suits of armor, brass and steel, with a couple of suppers to go inside them. The manager of the Surrey stipulated, by the way, that the steel armor should not be used if the day be a wet or a foggy one. After the show the men in armor were taken to the Guildhall, remaining there several hours without food. No one, it appears, was able to rid them of their ironmongery.

Wine was given them, and the man of brass became intoxicated. The bystanders, thinking if he fell about that he would injure others as well as himself, tried to eject him. But he showed fight, and to add to their further dismay, his companion in arms joined him. They were overcome at last only by sheer weight of numbers. Then the maker of the armor was sent for. He eventually succeeded in freeing the men, who were in danger of being stifled by the weight of their equipment.—Good Words.

Treating Insomnia.

So many people suffer from insomnia nowadays that it is a wonder they do not adopt the time honored custom of French kings and indeed of our ancestors generally, the "en cas" by the bedside, the meal of fruit or bread and cold chicken, put ready in case of wakefulness. Many a merry little meal might be eaten in the middle of the night, when thoughts crowd on the mind and care sits heavy. It is the wakeful digestion that claims its due and clamors to be fed. Our forefathers were wise, and many a hunter after old furniture knows the quaint little cupboard with a grated door which served for the night meal and is now sometimes labeled a cheese cupboard. A bedside book is of no use when the pangs of hunger make for anxiety, but with a book and a "snack" one can contrive to pass some pleasant hours, even when sleep does not touch one's eyelids and the sweet boon of unconsciousness evades one's grasp.—New York Times.

They Don't Know Nerves.

Those who know the Chinese best have been particularly struck with their absence of nerves. The foreigner fidgets, the native sits still; balmy sleep, especially in hot weather, will resist the foreigner's sweetest wooing, while to the native lying on a heap of stones or across the bars of a wheelbarrow she comes as a matter of course; we need constant change and variety, they would find contentment and rest on the treadmill.

"It would be easy," says Mr. Smith, "to raise in China an army of 1,000,000 men—say, 10,000,000—tested by competitive examination as to their capacity to go to sleep across three wheelbarrows, with hands downward, like a spider, their mouths wide open and a fly inside!"

From which it is evident, says The North China Herald, that in a crusade against noise we can hope for no assistance from our native fellow townsmen, but instead a great amount of vis inertiae, if not positive opposition.

A Chinese Dooley.

Two Irishmen stood at Gates avenue and Bedford street discussing a Chinese laundry sign.

"Kin ye say it, Pat?"

"Where?"

"There. Don't ye say it?"

"Oh, Oh do now."

"Well, they say a Chinaman's first name is his last name. Do ye blave it, Pat?"

"Yes."

"Then rade it back ward."

"But rade it furrard first, an it spells 'Los Daw.'"

"But rade it backward, man."

"D-o-w, D-o; J-o-e, L-e—Dooley."

"Right ye are, Pat, an Dooley is a foine old Irish name, but it's the furst name in me life of ever heard of a Chinese with an Irish name. He ought to hang, the spalpeen."—New York Press.

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