

Eating Crow.

We pray the Advertiser in its next issue to send us a receipt for our home circle notes, showing us how to take or boil crow, so as to make it most palatable. There can be no doubt that the official organ must enjoy the dish referred to and we can only admire the gusto, with which it devoured it in its columns yesterday.

A while ago, according to the Advertiser the American Administration was extremely bad and Mr. Gresham was a persona decidedly non grata. Hawaii as represented by the clique of ex-Americans was going to retaliate on account of Thurston's disgrace and there was an uncommon lot of blood in the eyes of our friends previous to this occasion when the warlike feeling took practical shape and they donned their armor and were ready to come down to Brewer's wharf and stop the U. S. marines from landing on our shores. A few days ago they seriously considered the advisability of sending Mr. Willis home and severing their connection with the United States, and they felt quite swagger and their little heads swelled until they thought that they overshadowed President Cleveland's top-knot.

But what a change has come over their dreams? Where, oh where, is their heroic sentiment? Where the bluster and braggadocio? Poor Tiser, it had to swallow the dish of crow prepared by Lord Kimberley and whiningly creep to the footstool of the once despised Gresham and cry:

"What does the United States have to say in the matter?"

The matter refers to Great Britain's pronounced intention to protect British subjects in Hawaii and Great Britain's determination to decide who are her subjects and who are not.

The Advertiser virtually has the unmitigated cheek to call on the United States for protection against the countries which shortly will revenge outrages committed by our short-sighted government against their respective subjects residing here. The ruling clique seems to have forgotten its arrogance and its vituperations against the government to which it now cries for succor. The knowledge that the Nicaragua affair will be repeated in Hawaii has scared these heroes who used to lay down their lives and repeat the performance out of their wits. Now, America and Gresham are good enough if they only can save them from the consequences of their folly.

Be men; stand up and take your punishment; acknowledge your fault and try to make a reconciliation with the men who alone can save you from ignominy and injury—the men who have been outraged and persecuted. From the United States you can expect nothing.

A Smash-Up.

Rev. Dr. Hyde's horse ran away with his phaeton yesterday afternoon from the corner of Fort and King streets. There was no occupant in the carriage, which capsized and became a total wreck. No other damage done.

COUNCILS MEET.

LETTERS FROM THE BRITISH MINISTER ON NATURALIZATION.

Executive Refuses Assent.

There was a meeting of the Executive and Advisory Councils called for 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon. At 4:10 Dr. Rodgers, secretary, announced that illness prevented the chairman, Councillor Allen, from being present.

President Dole nominated Councillor Tenney to the chair, and on vote he was called to the position.

Present: President Dole, Ministers Hatch, King, Damon and Smith; Councillors Tenney, Hosmer, Ena, Wood, Castle, Smith, Morgan, Nott, Bolte and Kennedy.

Minister Smith presented the petition of J. Kamakani of Kau for restoration to civil rights. He was convicted in 1881 of forgery on grosscheat and served his sentence.

President Dole said the Executive, in recommending that the petition be granted, had taken into consideration the names of residents of Kau who endorsed the petition.

On motion of Mr. Kennedy, seconded by Mr. Hosmer, the petition was granted.

President Dole submitted a petition from the liquor dealers for compensation for losses incurred from the closing of saloons during martial law.

Referred to Judiciary Committee.

Mr. Hatch read the following communication that had been received from British Minister Hawes:

HONOLULU, May 4th, 1895.

With reference to my dispatch to you of the 23rd of February last on the subject of the nationality of Messrs. Rickard, Walker and Hewett, in which I informed you that I had decided to submit the whole question to my government and await their decision, I have the honor to inform you that Lord Kimberley has had under his careful consideration the question of nationality of the above named men and has come to the conclusion that in the case of Mr. Hewett there is no ground on which to support a claim to British nationality, as he appears to have made the proper application, given the requisite proofs and obtained a certificate of Hawaiian nationality. The case of the other two men has, however, been viewed differently.

His Lordship states that they do not appear to have voluntarily and knowingly become naturalized. They are only shown to have taken the oath of allegiance to King Kalakaua and his successor, and they assert that they took that oath on the express assurance that it would not affect their nationality, and there is no proof that certificates of naturalization were issued to them. I am therefore instructed to represent to your government that Her Majesty's government can not admit that the Hawaiian nationality of Messrs. Rickard and Walker has been established.

I have the honor to be with the highest consideration, your most obedient, humble servant.

(Signed) A. G. S. HAWES, H. B. M. Commissioner and Consul-General.

Minister Hatch also read the following statements of Messrs. Rickard and Walker made last February:

I hereby declare upon oath that during the reign of the late King Kalakaua I made declaration of allegiance before a clerk in the Interior Department, that, to the best of my recollection, I was not sworn upon this occasion, that I did not understand this declaration to convey any forfeiture of my British nationality, and that I was informed by Major Wodehouse, Her Britannic Majesty's Commissioner and Consul-General, that no such forfeiture was conveyed by the declaration, which I made only to qualify myself at the urgent request of many British and other residents, to become a member of the Legislature.

(Signed) W. H. RICKARD, Signed and sworn before me this 18th day of February, 1895.

(Signed) THOMAS RAIN WALKER, British Vice Consul.

I hereby declare upon oath that in order to obtain greater facilities of employment, I did at the suggestion of the late King Kalakaua sign a document which I understood from the King would ensure me greater privileges as a resident in Honolulu and as the husband of a Hawaiian wife, but which he told me would in no way affect my position and right as a British subject.

I had no knowledge whatever that the said document was the oath of allegiance. I simply signed my name in a book before a clerk in the Department of the Interior and not in the presence of a magistrate or member of the government.

(Signed) T. B. WALKER, Signed and sworn to the 18th day of February, 1895, before me. (Sgd.) THOMAS RAIN WALKER, British Vice Consul.

Minister Hatch said that the matter was still under consideration by the Executive. He might state that the views expressed by the British Government did not meet with this Government's assent.

A bill to authorize the Marshal and his deputies, etc., to administer oaths came up for second reading.

Mr. Emmeluth did not believe in passing any more laws except such as the Executive declared to be absolutely necessary. It was high time they stopped legislating, and left it to the Legislature.

Minister Smith replied that, while the proposed law was not absolutely necessary, it would save a great deal of inconvenience in the country districts. Many people there had wanted to take the oath to the Republic, but there was no official near them authorized to administer oaths.

The bill passed.

At 4:30 the Councils resolved into executive session, and sat behind closed doors an unusually long time.

AN ELOQUENT SPEECH.

Great Britain's Care of Her Citizens.

An American resident of Honolulu requests the republication in the INDEPENDENT of the following extract from a speech delivered by Senator Frye to the Republicans of Portland, Maine. It is all the more striking from the fact that Senator Frye, from his sensational diatribes against British aggression, has earned the name of being a regular twister of the British lion's tail:

"I do not know that I ever loved England particularly. I do not think she treated us well in the war. Indeed, I think that, considering that we were her daughter, she treated us very badly, and sympathized with what seemed to her to be our downfall, but even in an enemy I think I can see what is worthy of admiration. The care which England has for her citizens, wherever they may be located, is marvellous and admirable. It is worth something to be a citizen of Great Britain, as much as it was in the olden days to be a Roman citizen. There comes to my mind in this moment, and you will remember it, that wonderful little episode in her history where King Theodore seized a young man by the name of Campbell, without any justification of law, and put him into the fortress of Magdala, about 4000 feet above the level of the sea. Word was sent to Great Britain that he was there without the authority of law, and Great Britain demanded his release. Him King Theodore refused to release. In 30 days time from that refusal, 10,000 English soldiers and Sepoys were on board ships which, with their white wings spread, sailed down upon the coast. They landed upon that coast; they marched 600 miles, through swamp and morass, under the burning sun. They marched up the mountain heights and gave battle to King Theodore and his forces. They beat down the iron gates and the walls of stone, and reached down into the dungeon, and took that one British citizen out and carried him down the mountain side, across the swamps and morasses, and placed him on board the white-winged ships, and carried him home to England in safety. (Applause.) It cost England twenty millions of pounds, and made General Napier Lord Napier of Magdala. Was not that a great thing for a great country to do? An eye sharp enough to see one of its thirty millions of people, an arm strong enough to stretch across the ocean and morasses, and pluck him as a brand from the burning, and carry him home in safety. Who would not die for a country that can do that?"

Healani Boat Club.

The regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the Healani Yacht & Boat Club was held at their new boat house last evening. Several new members were elected and applications for membership from five or six candidates were presented. Delegates were appointed to meet with representatives from the Myrtle and Leilani Clubs, on the thirteenth of this month for the purpose of organizing a Rowing Association. Arrangements for building a pontoon and for furnishing the club house in a fitting manner were effected.

More Chinese Coming.

Electric lights are being placed in the Chinese bureau of the Foreign Office, which is situated in the Judiciary building. J. W. Girvin, the hard-working clerk of the bureau, often has so much business on his hands, in connection with either incoming or outgoing steamers, that he requires to continue his labors into the night. Last week the bureau issued twelve hundred permits for the introduction of Chinese agricultural laborers. Each of these required the signature of both the Minister of Foreign Affairs and the clerk in four places.

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