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**RAILROAD TIES.**  
 RELATIVE LASTING QUALITIES OF DIFFERENT KINDS OF WOOD.

An Industry Which the Railroads Have Made and Fostered—The Original Hewed Article Still Considered the Best There Is.

"We have our fruit season, nut season, and various other seasons, but this is the railroad tie season," said Roadmaster Donoghue of the Illinois Central. "The season commences about Oct. 1 and ends in April and May. From this you are to understand that during this period our busy time lasts."

"How long does a tie live?"  
 "The average life of a tie of course depends as much upon what it is made of as the life of a man is generally gauged by his habits—it is all in the stuff that is in it. The best ties are made of burr and white oak—that is, of the material most available ties made from that sort of timber are the best. Honey locust outlasts anything we put down, but we can get but little of that. Along with the burr and white oaks we will place post oak, and place the average life of a tie of that material at seven years."

"I might say, too," continued the roadmaster, "that the life of a tie depends much on the ballast in which the timber is imbedded. I have had ties remain sound for fifteen years in cinder and rock ballast. They last a long time also in gravel—as long as ten years. In ordinary earth ballast they become worthless in seven years or so."

"Well, there is in the life of ties at the very least three years difference, and that in favor of those that are hewed, and I will give you a good reason for this fact: Sawed ties are made of timber that cannot be hewed and that has been 'shook'—timber that is blown down by storms. The saw leaves the creases around a knot so exposed that the water gets in there and so remains. The creases of the saw also make little gutters, as it were, which hold the water and which of course causes the tie to rot. In all my experience—and that covers a long term in the various branches of roadmaking—I never knew a sawed tie to lie as long as the one which is hewed. We buy ties of two classes, first and second, and are now paying from 33 to 44 cents for the former and 17 cents for the second. For sawed ties we pay by the thousand feet—\$14 per 1,000. Switch ties are always sawed. A set of switch ties contains 2,850 feet, and costs us \$32. All ties are closely inspected. About twice a month I do this work. The ties are hauled to the track and 'trucked' (piled up), and I take a squad of section men by whom the ties are all re-handled, and so as each one is turned over it is given its class and marked on the end—two dots for second class, one dot for first. This is made of red or water oak we throw out entirely, accepting them at no price. Ties are paid for as often as twice a month, the money being paid through the station agents of the company, who are furnished funds for that purpose. So far this season we have shipped about 80,000 ties. Just now they are being sent north to build the double track between Kankakee and Chicago and also Freeport for use in building the new road from Freeport to Madison, Wis."

**TIES FOR ONE MILE.**  
 "How many ties does it take for one mile of road, Mr. Donoghue?"  
 "Twenty-six hundred. We watch the road closely, and as the old ones become useless we take them out and put in the new. We do not commence on a mile track or a section of track and put in ties, beginning at one end, but our aim is to keep up a uniform condition from one end of the road to the other. Some roads adopt the plan of skipping ties in spiking the rails to them, but I find this impracticable and dangerous. Every tie should be spiked on both sides of the rail. Old ties are taken possession of by the section men, who convert them into firewood."

"Ties are hauled to us frequently from a distance of fifteen miles from the track, eight or ten ties being the average load."  
 "Ties are just as much of a commodity almost as wheat or corn. There are few general merchandise dealers along the line who do this sort of ties, and they all make a good profit. In the first place they have a profit on their goods and will sell a tie for an advance of at least five cents on what they paid for ties in trade. We are now loading and shipping away almost as fast as we receive them."

On account of the extensive use of ties in bridging over low places by railroads the tie business has also grown in great proportions. These are cut from huge logs, barked and hauled to the track. They are generally about eighteen inches through, thirty feet long, and one of them delivered on the car costs \$3.75. The ties on this sort of structure are all sawed, and cost \$14 per 1,000 feet. Tie and pile makers make but little money—an expert chopper cannot get out more than fifteen ties in a day. He gets 11 cents each for these, so that he would make only \$1.65 per day, and it is the tie trader, not the maker, who coins the money.—Chicago Tribune.

**Advertisements.**  
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**CLAUS SPRECKELS & CO.,**  
 BANKERS.  
 HONOLULU HAWAIIAN ISLANDS

Draw Exchange on the principal parts of the world.  
 Will receive deposits on open account, make collections and conduct a general banking and exchange business.  
 Deposits bearing interest received in their Savings Department subject to published rules and regulations. 1706mf

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 No. 12 Kaahumanu Street, HONOLULU. 28-4f

**M. PHILLIPS & Co.,**  
 Importers and Wholesale Dealers in Clothing, Boots, Shoes, Hats, Men's Furnishings and Fancy Goods. No. 11 Kaahumanu Street, Honolulu, H. I. 25f-wtf

**H. HACKFELD & Co.,**  
 GENERAL COMMISSION AGENTS.  
 Queen St., Honolulu, H. I. 26-4f

**ED. HOFSCHLAEGER & Co.,**  
 Importers & Commission Merchants.  
 Queen Street, Honolulu, H. I. 27-4f

**WM. McCANDLESS,**  
 No. 5 Queen Street,  
 Fish Market. Dealer in choicest BEEF, VEAL, MUTTON, FISH, etc.  
 Family and Shipping Orders carefully attended to. Live Stock furnished to vessels at short notice, and vegetables of all kinds supplied to order. 29 f

**New Photograph Rooms.**  
 OVER NICHOLS' STORE, FORT STREET, next the Shooting Gallery. Pictures, Portraits and Views. First-class work. Satisfaction guaranteed. 1143p2 T. A. GONZALEZ.

**Wing Wo Chan & Co.,**  
 Opposite Freeth & Peacock's,  
**NUUANU ST.**  
**NEW GOODS!**  
**NEW GOODS!**  
 JUST RECEIVED.  
 A Large Assortment of Marafieet EBONY and CINNAMON-WOOD  
**FURNITURE,**  
 Marble-top and Inlaid with Pearl.  
 ALSO—  
**Silks of all Varieties.**

MATTING in all colors, including a new design never seen before in this city.  
 Inspection invited. 567 apr29

**WENNER & CO.,**  
 92 Fort Street.  
 Have on hand New Foreign and Homemade Jewelry.  
**Watches, Bracelets, Necklets, Pins, Lockets, Clocks,**  
 And ornaments of all kinds.  
**Silver and Gold Plate.**  
 Elegant Solid Silver Tea Sets.  
 Suitable for Presentation.  
**ENGRAVING AND NATIVE JEWELRY**  
 A Specialty.  
 Repairing in all its branches.  
 Sole Agents for King's Eye Preservers. 48-mar-178

**Advertisements.**  
**ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY OF LIVERPOOL.**  
 CAPITAL \$10,000,000  
 UNLIMITED LIABILITY.  
**Fire Insurance of all description** will be effected at Moderate Rates of Premium, by the undersigned.  
 WM. G. IRWIN & Co. Managers for Haw. Islands 20-4-wtf

**UNION Fire and Marine Insurance Co.**  
 Of New Zealand.  
 CAPITAL \$10,000,000  
 Having Established an Agency at Honolulu, for the Hawaiian Islands, the undersigned are prepared to accept risks against Fire in dwellings, stores, warehouses and merchandise, on favorable terms. Marine risks on cargo, freights, bottomry, profits and commissions.  
 Losses promptly adjusted & payable  
 19-dwif WM. G. IRWIN & Co.

**THOMAS LINDSAY Manufacturing Jeweler,**  
 No. 60 Nuuanu Street, Honolulu, H. I.  
 Particular attention paid to repairing. 32f

**The Risdon Iron & Locomotive Works,**  
 Corner of Beal and Howard Streets, SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA  
 W. H. TAYLOR, President  
 J. OS. MOORE, Superintendent

**BUILDERS OF STEAM MACHINERY, IN ALL** its branches: Steamboat, Steamship, Land Engines and Boilers, High Pressure or Compound.  
**STEAM VESSELS** of all kinds built complete with hulls of wood, iron or composite.  
**ORDINARY ENGINES** compounded when advisable.  
**STEAM LAUNCHES, Barges and Steam Tugs** constructed with reference to the trade in which they are to be employed. Speed, tonnage and draft of water guaranteed.  
**SUGAR MILLS and Sugar Making Machinery** made after the most approved plans. Also, all Boiler iron work connected therewith.  
**WATER PIPE, of Boiler or Sheet Iron, of any size, made in suitable lengths for connecting together, or Sheets Rolled, Punched and Packed for shipment, ready to be riveted on the ground.**  
**HYDRAULIC RIVETING, Boiler Work and Water Pipes** made by this establishment, riveted by hydraulic riveting machinery, that quality of work being far superior to hand work.  
**SHIP WORK, Ship and Steam Captains, Steam Winches, Air and Circulating Pumps, made after the most approved plans.**  
**SOLE AGENTS and manufacturers for the Pacific Coast of the Home Safety Boiler.**  
**PUMPS—Direct Acting Pumps for irrigation or any work's purposes, built with the celebrated Davy Valve Motion, superior to any other pump.**  
 J. N. S. WILLIAMS, Honolulu  
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**THE BEAVER SALOON.**  
 NO. 7 FORT STREET.  
 (Opposite Wilder & Co.'s)  
**H. J. Nolte, Propr.**  
 OPEN FROM 3 A. M. TILL 10 P. M.  
**FIRST-CLASS LUNCHES, COFFEE,**  
**TEA, SODA WATER, GINGER ALE,**  
**Cigars and Tobaccos**  
 OF BEST BRANDS  
 Plain and Fancy **PIPES** personally selected from the Manufacturers, and a Large Variety of BEST QUALITY  
**SMOKERS' ARTICLES.**  
 Lovers of BILLIARDS will find an elegant  
**BRUNSWICK & CO. BILLIARD TABLE** on the Premises.  
 The Proprietor would be pleased to receive a call from his Friends and the Public generally who may desire a  
**LUNCH, A SMOKE, OR A GAME OF BILLIARDS.**

**H. J. NOLTE.**  
 31-4f

**J. IVANCOVICH & CO.**  
 Importers, Wholesale Dealers and Commission Merchants in  
**Foreign & Domestic Fruit.**  
 500 Washington, and 601, 603 & 605 Sansone Sts., SAN FRANCISCO.  
 This is the oldest established house in this line of business in San Francisco, and we are prepared to fill orders of all kinds in our line. SPECIALTY IN PACKING all kinds of FRUIT for long distance markets.  
 Your Patronage is Solicited 545 mar2788

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**INTER-ISLAND Steam Navigation Co.**  
 (LIMITED).  
**STEAMER W. G. HALL,**  
 (MALULANI).  
 BATES, Commandante  
 Will run regularly to Maunaloa, Maui, and Kona and Kauai, Hawaii.

**STEAMER IWALANI,**  
 FREEMAN, Commandante  
 Will run regularly to Nawiliwili, Koloa, Eleele and Waimea, Kauai.

**STEAMER C. R. BISHOP,**  
 MACAULEY, Commandante  
 Will run regularly to Hanalei, Maui, and Kukuiahae, Honolulu and Paunahou, Hawaii.

**STEAMER JAMES MAKEE,**  
 WEIR, Commandante  
 Will run regularly to Kapaau, Kauai.

**WILDER'S STEAMSHIP CO.,**  
 Limited.  
**STEAMER KINAU,**  
 (Lorenzen, Commandante).  
 Leaves Honolulu as per following schedule touching at Lahaina, Maunaloa, Makoua, Mahukoua, Kawahine, Lanipouhoo, Hilo and Keahou: Commencing on MONDAY, July 26, 1886, and on every alternate Monday at 4 p. m., the Kinau will make the VOLCANO TRIP, reaching Keahou on Wednesday morning, where horses and carriages are in waiting to convey passengers to the VOLCANO HOUSE (five miles in the saddle and nine miles by carriage).  
 Passengers by this route will have two days and two nights at the VOLCANO HOUSE.  
 TICKETS FOR THE RETURN TRIP TO THE VOLCANO, FIFTY DOLLARS, WHICH PAYS ALL CHARGES.  
 The Kinau will arrive in Honolulu Sunday mornings on Volcano trips. On Hilo trips, will leave Honolulu on Tuesdays, and return Saturday morning.  
 PASSENGER TRAINS will connect with the Kinau at Mahukoua.  
 The Kinau will touch at Hanalei and Paunahou on down trips from Hilo for passengers if a signal is made from the shore.

**STEAMER LIKELIKE,**  
 (Davis, Commandante).  
 Leaves Honolulu every Monday at 5 p. m. for Kamao, Kahului, Hilo, Hanalei and Keahou, every week; Kona, Molokai and Niihau every other week. Returning, will stop at the above ports, leaving back Saturday mornings.  
 \* For mails and passengers only.

**STEAMER KILAUEA HOU,**  
 (Cameron, Commandante).  
 Will leave regularly for Lahaina, Paunahou, Kona, Lanipouhoo, Hilo, Hanalei, Lanipouhoo, Kakaia and Oahu.

**STEAMER LEHUA,**  
 (Clark, Commandante)  
 Will leave regularly for same ports as Kilauea Hou.

**STEAMER MOKOLI,**  
 (McGregor, Commandante).  
 Leaves for the following ports every alternate Monday at 5 p. m.:  
 Commencing August 2—To Lahaina, Kamao, Pukou, Lanipouhoo, Hilo, Hanalei, Lanipouhoo, Pukou, Kamao, Lanai, arriving at Honolulu Saturday morning.  
 Commencing August 9—To Kanaoakak, Kamao, Pukou, Hanalei, Lanipouhoo, Kapaunapa, returning to Pukou, Lanipouhoo, Oahu, Lanipouhoo, Pukou, Kamao, Kanaoakak, arriving at Honolulu Saturday morning.

The Company will not be responsible for any freight or packages unless receipted for, nor for personal baggage unless plainly marked. Not responsible for money or jewelry unless placed in charge of the Purser.  
 All possible care will be taken of Live Stock, but the Company will not assume any risk of accident.  
 S. M. S. WILDER, President.  
 S. B. ROSE, Secretary.  
 OFFICE—Corner Fort and Queen streets. 55-ly Mar 30

**S. P. TAYLOR & CO.,**  
**Paper Manufacturers,**  
 AND DEALERS IN  
**Paper Bags, Twines, Etc.**  
 414 and 416 Clay Street, SAN FRANCISCO  
 Pioneer and San Antonio Paper Mills.  
 South Coast Paper Mill, Soquel, Santa Cruz County, Cal. 443a25-88

**Geo. C. Shreve & Co.,**  
 MANUFACTURING  
**JEWELERS**  
 And Importers of  
 Diamonds, Watches, Silver and Silver Plated Ware, Decorated China, Art Brass Goods, Fans, Canees, Umbrellas, Berlin and Vienna Leather Goods, Opera Glasses, Clocks, Etc.  
 Montgomery and Sutter Sts., SAN FRANCISCO. 443a25-88

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**UNION FEED CO.,**  
 IMPORTERS & DEALERS  
 IN—  
**HAY AND GRAIN.**  
 Telephone No. 175.  
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**EUREKA!**  
 We have received a consignment of the most Economical and Valuable Feed for all kinds of Stock, viz:  
**COOKED LINSEED MEAL.**  
 It is the greatest Flesh former, Milk and Butter producer in use.  
 Oil Cake Meal shows about 27 per cent. of nutritive matter; this nearly 39 per cent.  
 100 lbs. of this meal is equal to 300 lbs. of oats, or 318 lbs. of corn, or to 767 lbs. of wheat bran.  
 For Sale in Lots to Suit.  
 Also, our Unrivalled MIXED FEED, as well as our usual supply of the best kinds of Hay, Oats, Wheat, Corn, Etc., Etc.

**LAIN & CO.**  
 35-4f

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**ENTERPRISE PLANING MILL**  
 Alakea, near Queen St. 35-4f

**To the Public.**  
**The Pacific Transfer Co.,**  
 Office with the Union Feed Co.  
 Bell Telephone 175. Mutual Telephone 775.  
 I am fully prepared to do all kinds of drayage, hauling or moving work, all of which I will guarantee to execute faithfully.  
 S. F. GRAHAM, Proprietor. 36-ly

**J. H. SOPER,**  
 Successor to  
**J. M. Oat, Jr., & Co.,**  
**STATIONERS & NEWS DEALERS,**  
 Hawaiian Gazette Block.  
 27 Merchant St., Honolulu, H. I. 41-4f

**DR. IWAI,**  
 Physician and Surgeon,  
 Residence and Office, 40 Emma Street.  
 OFFICE HOURS—From 9 to 12 a. m.  
 BELL TELEPHONE No. 423. 405Jan10-8

**E. F. Mayhew,**  
 CONTRACTOR AND BUILDER,  
 86 Hotel Street, Honolulu, H. I.  
 (Opposite Fashion Stables).  
 P. O. BOX 315. BELL TELEPHONE 53

All work in my line faithfully done. Plans and specifications made. Jobbing in all details done at short notice. Good work and low charges is my motto. 28-dec-85

**JOHN COOK,**  
 House Carpenter & Builder,  
 31 Alakea Street.  
 Will furnish estimates and make contracts for any description of wood buildings.  
 Jobbing of all kinds done, and satisfaction guaranteed.  
 Charges as low as the lowest. 67-4f

**NOTICE.**  
 AT A MEETING OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE Mutual Telephone Company, held this day, it was decided to reduce the rent of instruments to \$5 per month in the districts of Koolau, Ewa, Waianae and Waiānae.  
 A. JAEGER, Secretary Mutual Telephone Co. Honolulu January 6, 1887. 402-Jan-4f

**Lowest Market Prices.**  
 All meats delivered from this market are thoroughly chilled immediately after killing by means of a Bell-Coleman Patent Dry Air Refrigerator. Meats so treated retain all its juicy properties, and is GUARANTEED TO KEEP LONGER AFTER DELIVERY THAN FRESHLY-KILLED MEAT.  
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 CLARENCE W. ASHFORD. VOLNEY V. ASHFORD.  
**Ashford & Ashford,**  
 ATTORNEYS, COUNSELLORS, SOLICITORS, ADVOCATES, ETC.  
 Office—Honolulu Hale, adjoining the Post Office. 42d&w4f

**JOHN T. DARE,**  
 Attorney and Counsellor at Law.  
 Office No. 12, Spreckels Block, Honolulu 176 oct21f

**CECIL BROWN, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW AND** Notary Public, Campbell's Block, Merchant street. 43-17a28

**M. THOMPSON,**  
 ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,  
 Office in Campbell's Block, corner Fort and Merchant streets, Honolulu, H. I.  
 PRACTICES IN THE COURTS  
 When desired, will give the law in a written opinion, as to the probable result of the contention upon the facts stated. 44f

**J. M. MONSARRAT,**  
 ATTORNEY AT LAW  
 AND—  
 NOTARY PUBLIC.  
 Real Estate in any part of the Kingdom Bought, Sold and Leased on Commission Loans Negotiated and Legal Documents Drawn  
 No. 27 MERCHANT STREET.  
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 OAK TANNED.  
**LEATHER BELTING,**  
 Lace Leather and Header Drapers.  
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**Foundation Timbers!!**  
 We have just received from Australia a few Iron-bark Foundation Timbers.  
 These timbers, as their name signifies, are nearly as solid and durable as iron, and for foundation purposes, or others of like nature, cannot be surpassed.  
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 S. L. STANLEY. JOHN SPRUANCE  
**Spruance, Stanley & Co.,**  
 Importers and Jobbers of Fine  
**WHISKIES, WINES AND LIQUORS**  
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 The Lager Beer of the above Brewery Was Awarded the First Prizes At the Expositions of 1886 and 1888.

**Freeth & Peacock,**  
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**AMERICAN CRACKER CO**  
 Biscuit Manufacturers,  
 COR. SANMONE & BROADWAY STS., SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.  
 JAMES DUNN, Supt. 486 aug10

**THE INTER-ISLAND STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY,**  
 (Limited).  
 Keep constantly on hand, for sale, STEAM FAMILY and BLACKSMITH COAL, and a general assortment of BAR IRON. 326 ly

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 Importers of  
**Wagon Lumber**  
 And CARRIAGE MATERIAL.  
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**Schweitzer & Co.**  
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**FANCY GOODS,**  
 HOSIERY, GLOVES, CORSETS,  
 White Goods, Embroideries, Handkerchiefs, Laces, Ribbons, Tatties & Children's Trimmings.  
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**E. H. Bucknam & Co.**  
 Manufacturers and Dealers in  
**SHIP STOVES,**  
 Tin, Copper, Crockery and Sheet Iron Ware, Ship Lanterns and Signal Oil.  
 22 Stewart St., bet. Market and Mission, SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.  
 Ship and Job Work and Store Repairing of all kinds a specialty. 487 feb19-8

**TO PLANTERS.**  
 We have on hand a consignment of  
**Automatic Trash Feeding Furnaces,**  
 No. four and five foot furnaces, complete with first class hoppers and trash carriers. Machines of this make are now in successful operation at Spreckelsville, Makoa Sugar Company and other plantations. Also, a consignment of  
**Filter Presses,**  
 Having all the latest improvements.  
**PLANTERS AND OTHERS**  
 Interested are requested to call and examine the above. For prices and further particulars apply to  
**Wm. G. Irwin & Co.,**  
 Agents. 234f

**BONE MEAL!!**  
 The undersigned are now prepared to receive orders for this Celebrated Fertilizer from the manufactory of Buck & Olandt San Francisco.  
 The following is a report of the component parts, as obtained by Chemical analysis:  
 Water..... 8.10 per cent  
 Organic Matter..... 29.18 " "  
 Silicious Matter..... 4.65 " "  
 Lime..... 81.50 " "  
 Phosphoric Acid..... 23.11 " "  
 Oxide of Iron..... .85 " "  
 Carbonic Acid..... 1.89 " "  
 Alka Salts..... .52 " "  
 100.00  
 Nitrogen 2.7 per cent.  
 Orders Received will have Prompt and Careful Attention.  
**W. G. Irwin & Co.,**  
 Agents of the Hawaiian Islands. 21f

**MONTHLY PAYMENTS.**  
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Is now for sale DAILY at the following places: J. H. SOBER, Merchant street A. M. HEWETT, Merchant street

TUESDAY April 12th.

ILLICIT LIQUOR TRAFFIC.

The capture of "moonshiners" at Pololu gulch, Kohala district, Hawaii, is the beginning, we trust, of a general attack upon the retreats of lawbreakers on these islands.

ISLAND NOTES.

KOHALA, HAWAII, April 8th. The police force raided the much talked of moonshiners at the head of Pololu gulch last Wednesday night, and captured twelve of the guilty ones.

CONTEMPORARY CRITICISM.

The "Bulletin" has a two-column editorial headed "a new deal wanted," which has points to warn sensible people against being led by it.

PROPOSED PACIFIC MAIL SERVICE.

We find the following cablegram in the Sydney "Morning Herald," under date London, February 24, 1887:

The Canadian Pacific Railway Company propose to carry out a mail service between Liverpool and Brisbane, with a branch service to Fiji and New Zealand.

This is one of those "great enterprises" attributed to the Canadian Pacific Railway Company which it will never attempt, and which could not be accomplished by any combination in the time specified.

ampton and Brindisi in the attempt to back the Eastern route against the California service touching at Honolulu; but this new project contemplates a much longer sea route from Liverpool, unless it be proposed to run an Atlantic line of steamers between Liverpool and some Canadian port connecting with the overland railroad, and another steamship line between Vancouver, the Pacific terminus of the railroad, and Brisbane.

It will be noted that the proposed time for the main service between Liverpool and Brisbane, the capital of Queensland, on the Eastern coast of Australia, ranges from 29 to 32 days. Now, let us see what time is actually occupied by the established lines on admittedly shorter routes.

iam Wiseman, Bart., and the American Consular Agent, made a very rapid trip to the Volcano, leaving Hilo on the morning of the 6th instant at 6 o'clock, and returning the same day about midnight.

No wonder Miss Bird was charmed with Hilo. She called it a beautiful place. The rain was no drawback. She must have attended the Church socials, and so must have Miss Gordon Cummings, who has written such charming words about Hilo.

Waimea, Kauai, April 9th.

Mr. F. Bucholtz, Esq., lately book-keeper for the Kekaha Sugar Mill Company, has been appointed assistant manager to the Eleolo plantation.

Supreme Court—April Term.

MONDAY, April 11th. Mr. John T. Dare for the defendants in the cases of Michiels vs. Hartford Insurance Company; Michiels vs. Commercial Insurance Company; and Michiels vs. South British Insurance Company, filed an affidavit asking for a continuance of the cases until Monday, April 18th, on the grounds that an important witness was required from Maui.

At another time his youngest son, Jesse, then a boy of only seven years, came out on the platform when the cries for a "speech" were loudest and his father was silent as the Sphinx.

BEFORE PRESTON, J. In probate, estate of Kahanaauwai. Petition of Henry Smith, guardian of Kamanao and Kapoonookalani. Ordered that the guardian have leave to mortgage certain real estate for payment of indebtedness of the estate.

BEFORE POLICE JUSTICE DAYTON. MONDAY, April 11th. Ehling, Alohahine, Joe Keawe, A. Kukamana, Pahi, Chris Novelli, Kia, McMuller, Sylvester and John McLaughlin, had each to pay \$6 for drunkenness.

An apple tree at West Chester, Pa., which documentary evidence shows to have been planted 111 years ago, is still in full bearing.

Ah Chuck, for assault and battery on Paahao, was remanded to the 12th instant. Joaquin de Mello Coelho was brought up on remand, charged with assault and battery on Ignacion.

Missionary Jubilee. The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the arrival of missionaries at these islands was brought to a termination yesterday by interesting exercises at Oahu College grounds.

This afternoon at 2 o'clock there will be a carol service for the St. Andrew's Sunday School at the Cathedral. After the service the scholars will march to the Bishop's residence, Nuuanu Valley, and engage in games. Tea will be served.

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His Majesty the King entertained at breakfast yesterday morning at Iolani Palace: H. R. H. Princess Poomaikalani, Hon. John A. Cummins and Mrs. Cummins, Captain H. C. Houllette, Quartermaster General Nowlein and Miss Nowlein.

The mail by the Australia closes at 10:30 o'clock this morning at the Post Office. A late letter bag until 11:30 o'clock.

I leave at once on my quarterly visit to the Creek nation, at their reservation in Indian territory, to pay them the money due on the leasehold of certain grazing lands. They are, next to the Cherokees, the most civilized Indians in the territory, and in my opinion, are superior to the average Mexican farmers.

At another time his youngest son, Jesse, then a boy of only seven years, came out on the platform when the cries for a "speech" were loudest and his father was silent as the Sphinx.

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PORT OF HONOLULU, H. I.

ARRIVALS. MONDAY, April 11. Schr Kulamann, from Kuluau... DEPARTURES. MONDAY, April 11. Steamer O R Bishop, Chaney, for Koolau...

Vessels Leave to-day. Haw steamship Australia, H C Houdlette, for San Francisco, at 12 m... Vessels in Port from Foreign Ports.

Vessels Expected from Foreign Ports. Am bark Timour, Brewer, sailed from Boston Dec 17, due May 1-20... Am bark Katakau, G N Armstrong, from Valparaiso.

Exports. For San Francisco, per brigine Claus Spreckels, April 11th... For San Francisco, per brigine Claus Spreckels, April 11th.

Passengers. For San Francisco, per brigine Claus Spreckels, April 11th... For Lahaina, per stur Kilanea Hou, April 11th.

Shipping Notes. The schooner Watoli brought 1,100 bags sugar from Honolulu, Maui, April 11th... The schooner Kanu, Captain H. Swinton, sails to-day for Honolulu, Oahu and Laupahoehoe, Hawaii.

International Courtesy. The Captain of H. B. M. S. Caroline, Sir William Wiseman, Bart., called upon His Excellency Hon. Curtis P. Iaukea, Governor of Oahu, on Saturday morning.

Attention, Honolulu Rifles. Every member of the Honolulu Rifles who has a full dress uniform is ordered to parade at the Armory at 9:30 o'clock this morning.

HABEAS CORPUS CASE.

The Validity of the Opium Law of 1856 Called in Question. In the Supreme Court yesterday the full Court in banco gave an oral decision in the matter of Manuel Brito, petition for writ of habeas corpus.

Records searched. Abstract of Title furnished, and conveyances drawn on short notice. COLLECTION AGENCY—Mr. John Good, Jr., authorized collector.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL. The W. G. Hall sails at 10 o'clock this morning. The Supreme Court will sit in banco on April 21st, 22d and 23d.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Schaefer leave to-day for a six months' visit to Europe. The Hon. Paul Neumann and family will be passengers by the Australia to-day.

The foreign jury will be required to attend at the Supreme Court at 1 o'clock this afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. T. R. Lucas leave by the Australia to-day for the benefit of the latter's health.

Hon. S. M. Damon leaves by the Australia for a three months' visit in the States and England. Mr. B. F. Dillingham is a passenger by the Australia to-day. His genial face will be missed from the street.

Otto Balmann, proprietor of the Valley Home, Nuuanu Valley, is under arrest for selling liquor without a license. The Drummer Boy did not give a performance at the Opera House last evening, owing to a lack of patronage.

The "Honolulu Almanac and Directory" for 1887 is now on sale at J. H. Soper's news depot and this office. Price, 50 cents. Hon. S. M. Damon will be a passenger by the Australia to-day. He goes direct to England, and will be absent about three months.

This is Tuesday in Easter week, and will be observed at St. Andrew's Cathedral by a celebration of Holy Communion at 6:30 a. m. and matins at 9 a. m. The Hon. S. G. Wilder, with two civil engineers, left for Hawaii yesterday on business connected with the projected railroad through Hamakua.

About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon an alarm of fire was rung for a small blaze in a house near Smith's bridge. It was put out before the department arrived. August Herring, the young Hawaiian who has shown so much skill as a wood carver, leaves by the Australia to-day for Europe, where he will be placed in an art school.

Mr. and Mrs. T. May are passengers by the Australia to-day, on a visit to their homes in England. Mr. May will be greatly missed at St. Andrew's Cathedral as a church warden and faithful member of the choir. Master Gavin Blackburn, eldest son of the Rev. Thomas Blackburn, B. A., formerly of Honolulu, has recently gained the second prize for music in one of the colleges at Adelaide, South Australia, which has three hundred pupils.

Mr. William Wale, of the Central House, Alakea street, leaves by the Australia to-day for a six months' trip to England, his birthplace. He is a Birmingham man, six years in the country, and goes home on business and pleasure combined. Mr. S. Roth, the tailor, who was being taken the measures for the new uniforms for the Prince of Wales, Leleiohoku Guards, Mamalahoa Guards and the Queen's Own, will forward them through Quartermaster General Sam Nowlein to-day to Germany.

Mr. J. W. Yarnley received a letter by the Mariposa from Mrs. Moran, which states that she will leave Australia with her talented daughters in June, and will probably stop over at Honolulu and give a series of concerts. This indeed is good news. Among the passengers by the Australia will be two sons of Mr. P. H. W. Ross of Hamakua Mill, Hawaii, who are about to proceed to England to complete their education. The elder of the two will be greatly missed in musical circles in the Hamakua district, where, notwithstanding his youth, his talents in this direction are held in high repute.

Concert at the Hotel. A complimentary concert was given last evening at the Hawaiian Hotel by the Royal Hawaiian Band to W. Sheafe, Esq., and ladies, who leave for the Coast by the Australia to-day. The front of the building was illuminated with colored lanterns, and the grounds were brightened by the electric light. A large number of persons were present on the verandas, but the grounds were almost deserted, owing to the rain, which fell at intervals.

The steamer Mikahala sails this afternoon for various ports on Kauai. The American barkentine Discovery, Captain John Lee, is 15 days out from San Francisco for this port. The engines of the training ship Kaimiloa were tried April 11th, and a slight mishap occurred to the machinery, which necessitated the services of mechanics from the Honolulu Iron Works to repair it.

The schooner Waiteh brought 540 bags sugar and 221 bags paddy from Wailua April 11th. The Hawaiian schooners Luka and Canute, on their last voyage, collided off Lanai at 11 o'clock on the morning of the 3d instant. The figure-head of the Luka was damaged, while the Canute escaped without any damage, except that some of her ribs were carried away in the collision.

THE ELECTORAL VOTES.

How They Will Be Counted Under the Law Recently Passed by Congress. The present Congress has passed two acts of the very first importance in reference to the presidential office. One of these laws changed the order of succession to the office, so that hereafter the Secretary of State, and after him the other members of the Cabinet in order, will become President in case of the death of both the President and the Vice-President.

The other law, which has been passed, supplies an omission in the Constitution by providing a method of counting the electoral votes. All that the Constitution says in reference to this matter is, that the President of the Senate shall, in presence of the Senate and House of Representatives, open all the certificates, and the votes shall then be counted.

If there were no such thing as contested or disputed elections, this would be sufficient, since there could then be no controversy as to what were "votes," and every person who could read, write and do a simple sum in arithmetic, would come to the same result in counting the votes. But, in fact, there have been puzzling questions after several elections, beginning with that of 1820 and ending with that of 1876.

Only in the last case, however, would the decision of disputed questions affect the final result. Although it has been contended, not without plausible arguments to support the contention, that the President of the Senate has the right to decide what votes shall be counted, Congress has claimed and exercised the right; and it is the theory of the act just passed that the two Houses are the final judges of what are votes to be counted.

In one case, however, Congress gives up this privilege of decision absolutely, and this constitutes the most interesting and valuable feature of the new act. Any State may now provide by its own laws for the trial and determination of all contests and questions relating to the choice of electors. If a decision upon such questions has been made at least six days before the day when the electors are to meet and give their votes for President and Vice President, the votes given by the persons so determined to have been chosen can not be rejected, even by a unanimous vote of both Houses. The act contains many provisions which it would be well to state, if we had the space. We may say, briefly, that in the case of a dispute which has not been passed upon by a State tribunal, Congress becomes the arbiter, but in such a way that, except in very extraordinary cases, the worst that can happen is that the State will lose its electoral vote. Votes of contesting electors can not be counted at all unless both Houses agree that they are the true votes of the State. In order to give time for the State tribunals to act, the day set for the electors to meet and vote is changed from December to January, so that there will be two full months between the popular vote for electors in November and the actual choice of a President.

While the whole act is a wise and judicious measure, passed by both branches of Congress without a division, and supported by members of both parties, its great value, as we have already said, is in that section which permits each State to secure absolutely the counting of its own vote. It is only necessary for the State Legislature to pass a law referring every contest over the choice of electors to one of its courts, which ought to be the highest court of appeal. When this has been done, every question as to the vote of that State will be decided in advance, and Congress will have no power either to dispute the finding, or to throw out the votes. Such a dangerous contest as that in 1877 can never again arise.—Youth's Companion.

Useful Hints in Building. The pressure of wind on a slanting roof is equal to twenty pounds to a square foot. In finishing California redwood the filling should be stained with a little crimson lake. Tin roofs should always be painted on the under side with mineral paint and be laid in single sheets, flat lock. Common brick work will sustain eight hundred pounds to the square inch before crushing and weighs one hundred and twelve pounds to a cubic foot. By wrapping plumbing pipes with heavy felt paper they will be protected from frost.

An inch of well-haired mortar between floors will be found to effectually deafen them against sound.—Hill's National Builder. —Minister (to Uncle Rastus)—"Surely, Uncle Rastus, you are not going fishing on Sunday?" Uncle Rastus—"Yes, sah, I 'spects I is. Yo' see, Mistah Goodman, I don't 'lieve in dis yere 'ligion berry much. Ise willun ter do anythin' on Sunday what ain't wicked for to do on any other day, sah." Minister—"Then why don't you saw some wood instead of wasting your time after fish?" Uncle Rastus (indignantly)—"Mistah Goodman, does yo' think dat I wud w'ok on de holy Sabbath day?"—N. Y. Sun.

A Clean Newspaper. Occasionally, when we discover a journal that has too much self respect to cater to the vicious tastes of readers, we are almost sure to find another proof of the axiom that "the good die young." That a paper can be so clean I have no doubt now, though there was a time when I thought differently. In the innocence of youth I once edited a paper, the columns of which were never besmirched by an item that would displease the most prudish and fastidious taste. Even now, with more years of experience, I will not admit that it was a dry paper, for I know that it was extensively read, widely quoted and often praised. It had a good circulation among the best people, but to our requests for advertisements the local merchants said: "Your paper is too decent; it circulates only among the most intelligent people and they are not the ones we are fishing for. Don't be so high toned—make your paper to suit the masses, the riff-raff—everybody—and you'll make money."

I heeded not the merchant's advice, and that paper is now in heaven.—William Reginald Ream in The Journalist.

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BOYS ON THE FARM.

Why Every Agriculturist Should Aim to Be a Judicious Guide to His Son.

The farmer's son should, before he is ten years of age, become intimate with his father in his plans, prospects and observations. At an early age he should be familiar with the fact that all the stock require salt at regular and also at irregular periods; with the time for watering and quantity; with some of the common evidences of disease; with methods of driving or riding, etc. On this latter topic some boys of a "ripened age," are not as well informed as is desirable. How large a proportion of the men who start out with a team from the farm know how to feed before starting? How many on going a trip of ten or fifteen miles know that it is much better for the team to take a moderate gait for the first half, and if necessary the rapid gait for the latter half? Too many farmers are content with the injunction to the boys, "go slow," when they should know that a long drive requires often a variety of rate.

The boys, too, should have some opportunities of observation other than the farm affords. The fairs and stock sales, as well as the meetings of the farmers' institutes, can be made good object lessons. A judicious guide, with suggestions in such things, every farmer should strive to be to his son. When he asks a question that you can not answer at the time, it is the better course to have him consult the books for himself, referring him to the proper authority.

MISCELLANEOUS.

It is leaning against a lamp post waiting for offices to come along that is keeping so many young men poor.—N. O. Picayune.

A Cincinnati gentleman has lost fifty umbrellas in eighteen months by lending them to female pedestrians who were caught out in the rain. Only one umbrella was ever returned.—Cincinnati Times.

Of five people who on their dying beds last year confessed to great crimes, only one told the truth. In the other cases it was shown that the "confessors" could not possibly have had anything to do with the crimes.—Troy Times.

Miss Cinda Williams, of Dexter, Mo., was thrown from a horse and her head struck a fence rail, which scalped her thoroughly. The scalp was replaced and sewed in position, and Miss Williams has already fully recovered.

Some time ago Wheaton Huntley moved from the East with three marriageable daughters and located by Henry Burchard, in Mercer County, D. T., who had three marriageable boys, and the three brothers have married the three sisters.

Kansas in itself is a vast empire. Few people know that within its boundaries can be placed the States of Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Connecticut, Delaware and Maryland, and still there would be a very considerable area left.

I was riding on one of the old stage coaches running to the Black Hills, and one of my fellow passengers was an old Englishman. We had reached a dell in the road when one of the leaders of our four-in-hand team became restless. The driver swung his whip out, and, as the horse felt the crack and staided down the driver exclaimed: "There, blank, blank you; take that!" Immediately the voice resounded in echo from the hill beyond: "There, blank, blank you, take that!" The Englishman looked up quietly and said to me: "If he had said 'God bless you' instead of the language he used, his 'God bless you' would certainly have come back to him from yonder hill."

The only curiosities brought to light by the dredge since the work was begun on the Cape Cod canal have been a strange collection of about fifty figures carved in oak, which are supposed to have remained under the sand and water of the marsh for the past century or more. The story goes that the artist who executed them was a poor, demented fellow by the name of Nye, whose fondness for a Sandwich belle by the name of Hester Tupper, led him to seek employment for his leisure time by carving her effigy and various cabalistic signs upon pieces of oak and hiding them in the ditches of water which furrowed the marsh.

That electric well or pit in Tallapoosa County, Georgia, still continues to cure severe cases of chronic rheumatism. The well is located on the side of a small mountain four miles from the Sharon station, on the Georgia railroad. It was dug last summer, in a search for gold. It is six or eight feet square and about fourteen feet deep, the bottom being covered over with loose boards and a rude carpet. Four chairs are at the bottom for persons to sit in. The owner has built a small house over the well. There is nothing like a shock, only a tingling sensation like that caused by a very weak current from a galvanic battery. The sensation is felt whether one touches the walls or not.—N. Y. Sun.

The French Crown Diamonds. Writing of jewels reminds me that no definite disposition has yet been made of the French crown diamonds. The chamber of deputies proposes to fund with the proceeds of their sale an institution for aged laborers; the senate preferred to establish schools of industrial art, and after that asylums for the aged and finally national museums. It was also suggested that 1,000,000 francs should be set aside for schools for apprentices.

The whole subject has now been referred to a commission, which will probably not be so foolish as to count their eggs before they are hatched—in other words before the jewels are sold. Apart from the stones of great price, some of which (among them the famous Regent) will not be offered for sale, the crown diamonds are not set, but shown on cardboard. They will, it is thought, be more readily sold purchasers on this account. Many jewelers will exhibit them before offering them for sale, and many amateurs are expected to avail themselves of the opportunity of buying.—Cor. New York Graphic.

A QUEEN.

Curled in the lush, cool grass at noon she lies; Half raised her shining head from off the bed; Of foxgloves and of poppies round her spread; Above them glitters out her beautiful eyes.

About her shoulders streams of hair float; Around her limbs, soft in muslin form close cling Her garments traced like leaves in early spring; And leaving bare her gleaming arms and throat.

Impatient writes the slender, coiled limbs From expectation; yet insatiate. While ever on the watch for the keen eyes wait; No pitying film their eyelids' brightness dims.

A little hiss of laughter that ensnares; A fatal power that lurks 'neath every grace; A spell resistless in the false fair face; A poisoned fang that strikes us unawares.—Lulah Hagsdale in Detroit Free Press.

The Dangerous Condition of "Shock." If an individual receives a severe injury to the head (concussion of the brain), or is crushed or mangled in a railway accident, or is extensively burned or scalded the state of "shock" is brought about. The surface becomes pale and bloodless, there is sickness at the stomach, dizziness, ringing in the ears, "it gets black before the eyes," the breathing becomes hurried and sighing, the pulsation quick and feeble, and if this goes on to greater extremes, loss of consciousness or even death results. The blood has left the surface and the brain and most of it has gravitated to the abdominal cavity. The effect for the moment is the same as if it had left the body by way of a severed artery. As some one has said, when a man is killed by a "shock" he has "bled to death in his own veins." When the blood is thus withdrawn from the brain, the heart no longer receives the nervous force necessary for it to continue beating. The lungs are in a similar starved condition and the breathing is irregular and with or stops altogether. All this, because the nerves whose duty it is to keep the blood vessels of the abdominal cavity in a state of partial contraction are paralyzed and can no longer do their work. Minor degrees of shock are familiarly known as fainting attacks.—Cor. Globe-Democrat.

The German Soldiers' Big Boots.

In the German army the fatherland kindly provides very roomy boots for its warriors. There is a very serious inconvenience, however, attending the disproportion between the sizes of boot and feet. In very soft, tenacious ground the boots are felt sticking, while the man goes on, casting an affectionate farewell look behind him, but half he cannot. When the Eighteenth army corps, two years ago, defiled before the emperor at Strasburg across a stubble field, which rain had rendered very sticky and muddy, the boots of the infantry were pulled off by hundreds, so that a fatigue party had to be told off, amid great laughter, to gather up the lost property. This is no exaggeration, and in military history the occasion is still known as the "boot parade." Three or four years ago at the maneuvers near Berlin we saw thousands of men suffering agony from boots that were weighing their feet. This is a very important matter, and would tell seriously in a campaign.—New York Mail and Express.

Gainsborough's Famous Quarrel.

The recent controversy over the management of the Royal academy has recalled Gainsborough's famous quarrel with that body. It was in 1784. He sent in a life size group of some royal personages with a request that it be hung contrary to rule—below the line set for life size portraits, namely, seven feet from the floor. "If you refuse me this indulgence," he wrote, "I will never exhibit with you again; and that I swear by God!" The request and the violent language together shocked the academy terribly, and it returned the picture to the artist. He kept his word, and up to the time of his death, four years later, never sent another picture to the academy. But when he lay on his death bed he sent for Sir Joshua Reynolds and he became reconciled to him, addressing to him his last words: "We are all going to heaven, and Vandijk is of the company."—Chicago Herald.

New Artificial Leather.

Some of the new artificial leather made in Germany is being applied successfully to industrial fabrications. The substance is prepared by mixing with 3 or 10 per cent of sinews and pressed into sheets like ordinary leather cardboard. The materials are made separately. Pieces of leather are washed, cut, boiled in alkaline lye, torn, neutralized with hydrochloric acid, and finally carefully washed once more to remove all traces of acid. To this are added sinews, which are treated similarly, but steamed in an acid bath and they are like glue. After being thus prepared, the materials are mixed, pressed into sheets, moistened on both sides with a concentrated solution of alum, and the upper surface is at last given a thin coat of caoutchouc in solution with carbonic bisulphide.—Boston Budget.

Stories of the French Press.

If one may credit the French press, fifteen minutes before Queen Victoria dines all the guests take their seats in a semi-circle, and a band plays "The Royal Beefe of Old England." Then her majesty enters, shakes hands with the ladies salutes the gentlemen, and leads the way to the dining room. At table all her relatives sit at her left hand, and the other guests at her right. She always wears gloves at table, except at state dinners. According to the British constitution, no one is allowed address a remark directly to her, but must speak to some one else loudly enough for the queen to overhear. But the queen has the right to speak to any one. All of which is implicitly believed by M. Crapaud.—Boston Transcript.

A Choir Singer's Precautions.

A choir singer has to use many precautions of which an ordinary mortal seldom thinks. She must not eat directly before singing, must guard against even the slightest draught and must never get her feet damp or stand in a cold place to sing. Heat makes the voice more flexible, and it is said that a pretty soloist in one of the uptown churches runs up and down the choir loft for a quarter of an hour each Sunday morning in winter to get up a circulation, and always stands on warm bricks to sing.—New York Journal.

Low Rents in London.

Rents are falling in London at a remarkable rate, owing chiefly to the relief of the congested regions through the suburban extensions and the improved facilities for reaching these suburbs. The change is confined chiefly to the most populous and least wealthy districts.—London Letter.

ANTS WHICH FIGHT TO A FINISH.

The jolliest sport among the juvenile Renolds is fighting ants. They scrape up a shovelful of these busy insects from one colony and carry them to the next nearest colony, dumping them together. The result is immediately a pitched battle, the ants fighting most viciously, the little warriors literally tearing each other to pieces, until the last of the interlopers is dead. They fight in pairs or in threes, fours and bunches, as it happens to come handiest, but it is always a "fight to finish" and no quarter asked or shown.—Reno Gazette.

MAKING BEESWAX.

The Rendering of Combs into Wax by Artificial Heat or the Sun's Rays.

The rendering of combs into beeswax can be affected by artificial heat, or by the sun's rays. The heating on stoves or by steam is the most usual way, but many inexperienced persons spoil their wax either by melting it without water, or by over-boiling, or by using dirty iron kettles. When comb is melted over a stove, it is not absolutely necessary to have an apparatus expressly made for the purpose. Any ordinary boiler will answer. A great deal of water should be used, and a moderate heat applied. When the wax is thoroughly melted, it can be dipped off the top, by using a piece of wire-cloth shaped like a dipper, hung in the kettle to prevent the coarsest impurities from being dipped out. We have never seen any old combs, no matter how old, that did not make nice yellow wax when treated in this manner, or by the use of a wax-extractor. As a matter of course a good wax-extractor, properly used, will give cleaner wax at the first melting.

If steam is used to melt comb, it should not be turned directly on the comb, but into the water below it, the steam often damaging the wax, and making it grainy and green-looking. This same unpleasant result is sometimes attained by over-boiling.

If some wax remains in the dregs it is not advisable to throw away these residues. We have never yet seen any process that separated them so completely that they could be called worthless. Wax-bleachers usually press the wax out of them in a small press, while hot. But a cheaper way, on a small scale, is to preserve them, or rather the best of them, in a box, exposed to the weather, until more comb has to be melted, when they can be melted again with it. The exposure to the weather dissolves the foreign substances, but not the wax, which, to all appearances, is indestructible.

Cappings of honey are melted in the same manner as old combs. It is well, however, to work them first in warm water, to separate the honey that is left. This sweetened water can be used to advantage in cider or wine making, and for vinegar. Honey-vinegar is the very best that is made.

We have many times heard it said that it did not pay to melt old combs, but this is a mistake. It is not advisable to melt them with nice new combs, but any apiarist who will try rational methods can find a profit in melting the very oldest and dirtiest combs that can be found. The heat of the sun, in rendering the comb, makes the finest beeswax, as it not only melts it, but partly bleaches it, and we have to thank our Italian brothers for the first idea of this, as well as for the invention of the extractor. Thus far, however, little use has been made of this discovery; but the time is not far distant when the solar extractors will be plentifully found as steam or stove extractors. This method will have the advantage of giving clean wax at the first melting, without any danger of spoiling it.—C. P. Dadant, in Prairie Farmer.

POINTS FOR LADIES.

Suggestions of Current Interest on a Variety of Domestic Topics.

Plaids in artistic colors are in favor. Ladies now wear finger rings ad libitum.

In silverware Queen Anne styles prevail to a large extent.

Egg stains may be removed by rubbing with common salt.

Braiding in fern-leaf patterns appears on some tailor-made costumes.

Loops of ribbon to be worn as head-dresses are mounted on tortoise-shell pins.

Designs traced in delicate colored enamel decorate some of the newest spoons.

A pretty deep claret represents a fashionable color in silver mounted leather goods.

The application of dry buckwheat flour will sometimes remove grease from delicate fabrics.

Small steel rings are much worn by ladies with large hands, said rings being very becoming ornaments.

Daisy pins are quite the rage. Mrs. Cleveland having shown her approval of them by wearing one herself.

A novelty in ribbons is moire on one side, satin on the other, and elaborate edges of fringe, tassels, etc.

Old German embroidery in blue and white linen thread is fashionable on seaside cloths, table scarfs, etc.

Hats and bonnets should be kept well brushed with a soft manilla brush. Stiff whisk brooms are not suitable.

A warm bath relaxes the system and opens the way for colds. Therefore the best time for it is at night, just before retiring.

Parisian ladies are said to be adopting for evening wear gloves that terminate below the elbow in place of the very long ones.

Fancy and jeweled hairpins and two-pronged combs are very popular. Many of these are mounted on yellow or dark tortoise shell; others on prongs of gold and silver.

Primrose shades are seen in Scotch gingham, now appearing for spring wear, in combination with almost every color. These gingham are becoming to both blondes and brunettes.

When a baby is taken from its carriage into a house for even a short call take pillows and wraps in also, so it may not be bundled up in freezing cold wraps when put back into the carriage.

To make very dainty chocolate set an earthen pot into boiling water, put a quart of milk and cream mixed into this and when hot stir in a paste of three heaping tablespoonfuls of chocolate mixed to a paste with a little cold milk. Sweeten if necessary.—N. Y. World.

The Other Side of It.

Why is it that no song writer has ever written a bass solo, of the horribly lugubrious style, delineating the getting sober? Why did not the lamented Mr. Dickens describe Dick Swiveller getting sober in the morning as a fitting companion to his wonderful description of Mr. Swiveller's getting drunk at night.—D. R. Locke.

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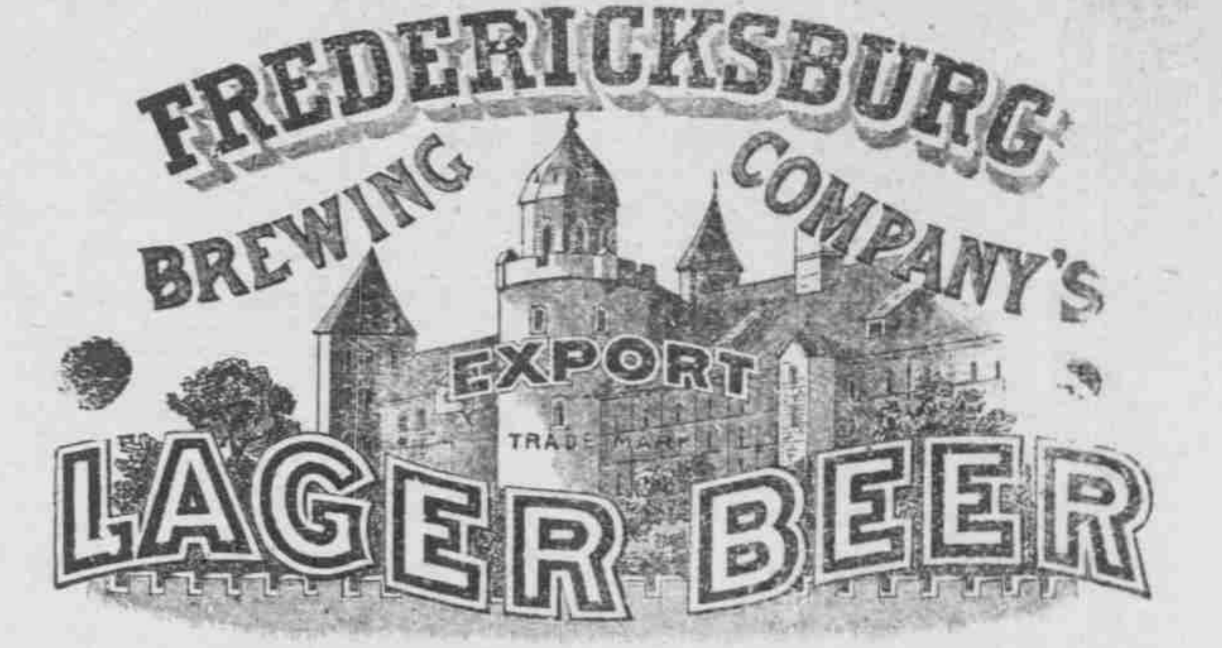
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