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Successful Authors

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Successful novels (says a writer in the Bookman) have been written in four days' time; others quite as successful, have been the work of a lifetime. The temperament of the writer has much to do with this matter of time, for some of the brotherhood believe in revision, while some others—perhaps unfortunately—do not.

Henry James, for instance, writes everything with his own hand, and re-writes every sentence many times before it is sent to his publisher. Howells—James, of course, naturally suggests Howells—revises indefatigably. Although Mrs. Wharton's is readily suggested by the foregoing two, writes every morning for six days a week, she limits herself to 500 words daily, re-writing each page many times. Zangwill, perhaps, deserves to head the list of rapid writers. He was seventeen when he wrote his first book in only four evenings, it was published anonymously. Although Crawford now produces on an average two novels a year, "Mario's Crucifix" was written in ten days, and his "Tale of a Lonely Parish," a 120,000-word novel, was completed in twenty-four days.

The story of George Eliot's reading for "Daniel Deronda" is too old to repeat, but it shows that the actual writing of a book is a small affair compared with the task of getting ready to write one. Harris Dickson's "The Black Wolf's Breed," was written in a little over two months' time. Another piece of quick work was Julia Magruder's "Princess Soula" completed in eighteen days. Miss Magruder, it is said, does not revise nor does she make a duplicate copy of her work; she writes a clear, beautiful hand, and sends her manuscript, just as it is first written, to her publishers.

The late Frank Norris wrote "McTeague," a 125,000-word novel, in eighty-nine days. Mrs. Oliphant always wrote at night, and more than once completed a three-volume novel in six weeks' time. Johnson's "Rasselas," the much-rejected, was written in one week. Byron, who, it is said, revised nothing, wrote "The Bride of Abydos" in four days; and Browning finished "Pippa Passes" in three days. On the other hand, Riley, the poet, often spent weeks upon one brief poem. Beatrice Harraden writes slowly, and revises carefully. Both Dickens and Wilkie Collins were painstaking and both revised their works. Perhaps no work was ever written in less time than was Oneta Watanna's 60,000-word novel, "Miss Nume of Japan." It is said that it took her only seven days to write it. Thomas Nelson Page is not a rapid writer; he not only revises, but makes a great many corrections in his proof. Robert Chambers prunes his work remorselessly, often reducing a novel from 80,000 to 50,000 words.

Tolstoy's manuscripts are rewritten five or six times, and the author plays solitaire during the process. Russia naturally suggests Poland and Sienkiewicz; the author of "Quo Vadis" never

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A DAMNABLE HOLIDAY.

As the result of a well concocted and successfully carried out plot of treason, against their sworn Sovereign, aided and abetted by the United States, who landed armed and equipped marines and sailors and with the guns of the U. S. S. Boston trained on the Palace, a party of ex-officials and political demagogues obtained the recession of the last Hawaiian ruler from the quiet, peaceful and honored throne of a Kingdom, whose independence had been guaranteed by three nations, and all this on the 17th day of January, 1893; ten years ago today.

The immediate days that followed this politically-planned coup were days that will never be forgotten by those who were then residents of this long-time happy and prosperous Kingdom and the elder residents who joined in the seditious proceedings cringe with shame at the results of the American supported victory, which sent relatives, neighbors and friends to prison, for no crime, but, to appease the cry for safety of their own persons which the cowardly victors raised.

Under the protection of a body of marines and the displayed American Flag, Henry E. Cooper, with trembling lips and shaking form read to the unoccupied walls of a public building a proclamation of possession and he and his gallant band of foresworn henchmen marched to the rear of the Boston's marines and sought their homes again in safety, not a hand being raised against him or them, leaving them victors of their possessions as protected by the American flag, the respected insignia of a nation which had joined in the guarantee of independence of the

Nation of Hawaii, thus ruthlessly despoiled of her Queen and prestige by a band of adventurers.

The after history came quickly, the formation and disintegration of a Provisional Government, which could not sustain itself, and caused the necessitous hoisting of the flag of the United States at the shield under which the successful plotters sought cover; then the farcical Republic of Hawaii, which had its brief period of existence until the final act of annexation to the Great Nation of which we have become the stolen property, transferred thereto without any voice or will of the people but by act of the protected political pirates of 1893.

The morning of January 17th, 1893, was bright and beautiful, no native Hawaiian nor old time resident, man, woman or child, felt any fear or dread of harm to them. Political matters were in a mixup, true; but, such an occurrence had happened often and only those directly interested had ever felt a blow. The afternoon of the day was pleasant; in the evening the band was playing at Emma Square; the streets were crowded as usual, with happy, contented people, and with money to supply their many desires or wishes. The Boston's marines were landed next night; in the morning the Independence of Hawaii was a broken column, the base alone standing, today it has no foundation. From that day to this the Hawaiian name has faded gradually from view for what it stood for, in that elder day, of all that presaged contentment, happiness and prosperity, and her people instead of being independent as they should be, are fast becoming poor in estate and paupers in politics.

And, today, the disjointed vertebrae that, by the grace of the President of the United States, still succeeds himself, from arch-traitor to Governor of this same portion of the earth, deliberately insults the white men, the Hawaiian men and all of those who in those days were subjected to the fetid odors of Oahu jail, the mulcting by heavy fine, the breaking of family ties by banishment, or who otherwise have suffered punishment for their opinion, by asking them to join in the observance of a damnable holiday which only brings to the mind of all true Hawaiians a subject that revives remembrance of wrong inflicted, yet unatoned for and which cannot ever be forgotten. Dole and Cooper together again joined as of old under the aegis of the American flag as Federal officers and by using the power which Theodore Roosevelt, the President of the United States has given them again safely, flouts the "bloody shirt" of 1893 into the faces of those who were robbed under the guise of a policy of necessity. Go to! Ask not again those who lived here 10 years before 1893 to celebrate your Cooperian holiday, rather ask those who have arrived, and have lived for the past 10 years in the decayed prosperity, of once prosperous Hawaii.

DELAY IS DANGEROUS.

A prominent young Republican, who at one time not very long ago, hung on the fence, said to us the other day that City and County measures must and ought to be passed by the next Legislature. He fears that if not passed, Congress would pass them for us, and mayhap place us in the same category as it has placed the Philippines, a condition of affairs unsuited to us and very unsatisfactory. Therefore, it is advisable to insist all the immediate erection of a system of local self gov-

ernment within this Territory, in accordance with the Organic Act, and by so doing avoid the conditions feared and the probable and possible friction that is likely to ensue if the work is undertaken too late.

From coming in contact with many people, irrespective of any political party, we have gleaned that a certain element among us is against local self government, of the kind proposed and deemed likely to soon become a fact, and that a greater party is strongly in its favor. Popular sentiment is with the Bill and immediate passage is strongly urged. In it the people see relief and their political salvation and with the hope that the salvation is nigh at hand. But of the faction that is against it; they fear to lose the grip of that they have had during these past years. They see and feel that by its early passage, the power that they have wielded and swayed here will be taken away from them and from their grasp, and that it will be only a question of time when they will have very little to say about affairs. It is but natural that they should oppose it, for the day will soon arrive when they will be nothing but a nonentity and of the past. But the popular will desires it and clamors for it and will see it through, in spite of opposition, should there be any. The people must and should rule, and surely they are going to have it, unmindful of the money on the other side. It cannot come soon enough to suit us.

To defer the going into effect of self government till next year, should the Bill be passed at the coming session of the Legislature in a month's time is like a hope deferred or it maketh the heart sick. Quick and immediate action is the only safe and sure remedy. Let the lawmakers be up and doing otherwise we are apt to be left out in the cold again in the control of our own Territorial affairs.

We hope, and would advise it strongly, that there should be no party in the passage of the City and County measures. All parties ought to work for the measure and with one aim solely i. e., quick fruition. Our desire is to see the Hawaiian party work in conjunction with the majority party, and push the same through to its final stage and there should be no party strife or bickerings over the work. A favorable and quick completion is our earnest wish and desire.

It is hoped that the Republican Executive Committee may see its way to cause the result of the labors of its party's commission, whose duty it is to draft the City and County measures for presentation to the incoming Legislature, to be printed and immediately circulated among interested parties. We, for our selves, would like to see its provisions, and we believe that there are others beside ourselves who would be only too glad to view it. These proposed measures are being much talked about by many, and either one or both of these measures must and ought to be passed at the next session. The country demands them and is greatly in need of them.

Everyone that we have so far spoken with and sounded on the city and country proposition all

seem to agree that it cannot come soon enough, and that all are eager that the same go through. In fact, those we have seen all feel that we may as well have it at this time rather than wait for another two years. And therefore, the recommendation made by the recent visiting Senatorial Commission, as reported by the bills, is deemed most opportune and very welcome. Let us have it now, in spite of any imperfections, and time will remedy all; but for the better, let us make a starter and a beginning. Delays are dangerous sometimes, and in this case, it will not be to the interests of any party even of our opponents in politics, to cry "halt."

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

How very American was the action of our tramp Poo-Bah in getting today as a legal holiday, was Lee's surrender at Appomattox Court House declared, proclaimed and celebrated as a "National" day of rejoicing. Not a thousands times, No! But in those days they were gentlemen in power in Washington.

Next Monday promises to be a very busy day for Judge Wilcox and as there is an indication that some of the cases will be long drawn out he has semi-officially given notice, to attorneys, that the hours of court will be from 9:30 to 12 a. m., 1:30 to 5 p. m., then, if necessary, 8 to midnight. His honor evidently intends to make some attorneys earn their fees.

The attention of Road Supervisor Dwight is called to the dangerous condition of the walk outside the Pacific club on Union street and where many an accident has happened and many more are likely to occur, unless the conditions are changed. The sidewalk is in front of a Club which is empty able from its wealth to comply with the pavement regulations. The hiatus between the curb-riding and the premises adjoining, mucks, should be filled in and levelled by the Road Supervisor if no one else; at the expense of the owners of the old

Cartwright property. Delays are dangerous, a damage suit against the city would be blamed to the Road Supervisor as there is a law which belongs to him to enforce. Poor people on Emma Street had to submit why not the rich people of the Club?

The proposition was recently made by the Hawaiian Historical Society to urge legislation looking towards the preservation of places, spots, mounds, temples, etc., in the cause of matters historical pertaining to these Islands. We think the proposition is a good one and should be carried out and that cannot be done too soon, for many of our historical features will soon disappear in the march of progress, and be obliterated. In this connection, we earnestly hope that the incoming Legislature will not overlook and sidetrack any measure tending towards this end. There are many places and things that should be preserved before destruction obliteration or requestration by vandals and others.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The steamer America Maru sailed this morning for the Orient.

The Band is expected to return from Hilo a week from today.

A mechanics lien has been filed on the new Lewers & Cooke building.

The late Paul Isenberg is believed to have left an estate of from five to ten millions.

Attorney Brook has resumed practice again although still weak and nerveless from his late illness.

Association football at Makiki this afternoon commencing at 4:15 o'clock; All Honolulu and Scotland.

The steamer Arab after receiving an enhanced supply of oil fuel sailed for the Orient yesterday afternoon.

The Y M C A excursion to Eva Mall left via the Oahu R R this morning and will return this afternoon.

E C Winston will assume the management of the Sanitary Steam Laundry on the first of the coming month.

J D Marques has obtained election to the office of secretary of the Portuguese Mutual Benefit Society of Hawaii.

The break in business, of yesterday, and the so-called holiday of today made the road of collectors a rocky one.

The R v Canon Kitecat celebrated his last service of the Holy Communion here on Thursday morning in St. Andrew's Cathedral.

The steamer Alaskan is loading the balance of her sugar cargo and will sail on Sunday for San Francisco. She will carry a mail.

The Hackfeld Co Ltd, still honor the memory of the late Hon Paul Isenberg by half-masted colors on their conspicuous building.

Walter Connell the champion checker player of greater New York will play his second series of ten games at once, this evening at the hall of the Y M C A.

The present weather is most pleasant and enjoyable and pleasure seekers are enabled to have their wants assuaged by a moonlight ride and dance at Pacific Heights.

The Road department sent the street sweepers at work last night at 9 o'clock and thus avoided the usual day sweeping, which is so obnoxious to business people and pedestrians.

The Chinese watchman at the Kekaulike street mill made a record for watchfulness last night by having three interlopers on the premises, at late hours, pulled in by the police.

The Steamer America Maru from San Francisco for the Orient arrived in port here yesterday afternoon. The vessel brought a light mail and two days later news, viz to the 9th instant.

The cornerstone, of the new building now in course of construction on the corner of Alakea and King streets, will be laid with appropriate services, by the trustees of the Kapiolani Estate Co, on Monday noon.

Basket ball will be attraction at the Y M C A "gymnasium" this evening the contestants being the Intermediates vs Picked Team and the Diamond Heads Picked Team. Play will commence at 7:30 o'clock.

The teams of the junior football players will contest in games at the Makiki reserve this afternoon. The first game, 2 o'clock, will be between the Honolulu vs Y M C A; at 3 o'clock the Mailles vs Cable, will meet.

While tearing down an old house on the premises of the Enterprise Planning mill the other day, one side of the building fell down on one of the employees, Wm Ahia, and he was under the ruins for about two hours before being extricated. He received some bruises and is somewhat lamed.

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Louis Marks, manager of the Sanitary Steam Laundry, who has done a great deal, by his own personal efforts, in forwarding the interests of the establishment, and whose upright business dealings has made him many friends has resigned the management, to take effect on January 31st.

Miss Christina Hutchison, a well-known lady of this city, accompanied by Miss Esther Louis, a girl of St Andrew's Priory, left by today's Moana for Australia. Miss Hutchison did not think of leaving so soon, but on account of the Kitecats leaving, she decided to go along with them. The Priory children and teachers were down to the wharf to bid good-bye to them, as well as to the Kitecats.

District Court: Wilcox, J.

Yesterday there was a full calendar presented to the attention of Judge Wilcox but, without a record of one drunk; the thirty-five cases thereon consisting of charges of high crimes and misdemeanors. From the presentations made by the attorneys it turned out to be really a continuance day rather than a committal one, one-half of the listed cases going over to future dates. Following is a statement of the disposition of the cases called:

J E Gomes, carrying concealed weapon; Will e Johnson, disobedience; Ah Wo, vagrancy; Kamekoe, gambling; and Julia Makia, gambling, all had their cases not pros'd. Kailiann, driving over a bridge at faster than a walk, was a lucky hapa-haole as he was discharged. The following were fined: Ah Pow, for presence at gambling, \$10; Naksi, gambling \$25; Pong Look selling liquor without license \$100; Naka mitichi cock fighting, \$10; Ah Choy gambling spectator, \$10; Kuria unlighted bicycle, \$2; W Fraser, infringement back rules, \$5; the cases of Koa Chee and of F Wilburton were committed to the Circuit Court and eighteen cases were continued most of them being set for Monday next.

Election of Church Officials

At the postponed meeting of the parishioners of the Cathedral parish of St Andrew, held last night in the Sunday School house and presided over by the Bishop of Honolulu, with A Churton as secretary pro tem, the Church Wardens and Vestrymen were duly elected. There were over thirty male communicants present and entitled to vote. After prayers, the Bishop read a paper on the duties attached to the offices to be filled. Names for Church Wardens were first placed in nomination, and Edmund Stiles and W R Castle, Jr were elected for the term, one year. As Vestrymen, H M von Holt, Geo F Davies, E G Keen, Dr S L Ramsey, Robert Caltor, John Edinger and E W Jordan, were elected and for a like term. After some talks on matters of general and special interest to the Church, and after the Bishop giving the benediction, the meeting adjourned.

Off by the Moana.

The kamaoians who left by the steamer Moana today were the Rev Canon V H Kitecat, Mrs Kitecat, Miss Hutchison and Miss Esther Louis. The many friends of the Kitecats were down to the wharf to bid them God speed. Both of them were covered with wreathes.

The Sumner Case

There is a strong probability that the judges of the Supreme Court will agree to take up the consideration of the Sumner case next week. Proposed compromise plans are reported to be all off yet it is a true saying that "lawyers agree to disagree" and the action of the Supreme Court is looked for with impatient interest.

THE INDEPENDENT 50 cents per month.

Jury Lists for February Service.

Following are the names of the First Circuit grand jurors for the February term of court who are to report on February 2nd at 10 o'clock a m, to Judge De Bolt, who will preside:

A J Campbell, John Leal, William W Dimond, James L McLean, Arthur B Wood, George W Hayselden, M K Keohokalole, John Edinger, G W Macy, Bruce Cartwright, M P Robinson, H G Crabbe, G W Farr, J M Camara, N S Sachs, J R Mersberg, L T Peck, George Markham, E L Marshall, W F Dillingham, John Emmeluth, W J Coelho and C W Booth.

The following trial jurors to appear before Judge De Bolt at 1:30 o'clock February 2nd is composed as follows:

A S Prescott, Charles Dickenson, A D Bolster, Herman Meek, James McKeague, C B Bray, C B Dement, C H Everett, C B Wilson, E A Ross, H H Walker, J P Quinnane, George O'Hara, E O White, Joseph Richards, James Spencer, James Steiner, W B Jones, W W Needham, H E Marti, E R Adams, J S Martin, William Blaisdell, S I Shar, J H Black, William Lucas, George Nawakoa, L E Pinkham, M W Parkhurst, Vincent Fernandez, F T P Waterhouse, A E Lloyd, W B McLean, John Lucas, A J Smithies.

The trial jury of Judge Robinson's court summoned to appear at 10 o'clock a m of February 2nd is composed as follows:

Thomas E Wall, J C Axtell, George Tournay, W H Jones, William Paikui, Charles Boud, Henry Davis, J F C Hagens, J W Farwell, A R Gurrey, Jr, James Pakele, E J Walker, L K Sheldon, S Kauekoa, J T Taylor, Abahram Fernandez, C J McCarthy, E L Cutting, E Buffin deau, J P Rodrigues, W R Sims, W M Mshaka, James Kahaleahu, Arthur Jones, William England, Henry Zerbe, R W Davis, A Newhou e, William Isaac, G Andrews, D M Ross, J J Belsler, F L Waldron, J H Thompson, P H Barnette, George J Ross.

MORTGAGEE'S NOTICE OF FORE CLOSURE AND OF SALE.

In accordance with the provisions of a certain mortgage, made by JOSE PEDRO MELLO to M. M. PAVAO, dated the 7th day of November A. D. 1901, recorded in the Register of Conveyances in Honolulu, Oahu, T. H. in Liber 227 pages 269 to 271; notice is hereby given that the mortgagee intends to foreclose the same 'or conditions broken, to wit:—Non payment of principal and interest. Notice is likewise given that after the expiration of three weeks from the date of this notice, the property conveyed by said mortgage will be sold at Public Auction, at the Auction Rooms of James F. Morgan in Honolulu, T. H., on Thursday the 22 day of January, A. D. 1903, at 12 o'clock noon of said day. Further particulars can be had of A. G. Correa, attorney at law. Dated Honolulu, Dec 20, 1902. M. M. PAVAO, Mortgagee.

That certain indenture of Lease from Nettie L Scott to said mortgagee, dated April 22nd A. D. 1904, and recorded in Liber 15, page 485 in the Register of Conveyances office in Honolulu, Oahu, T. H., the same denoting certain premises situate in Honolulu, containing 20 acres, being mauka of and adjoining the upper Government Road on the north side of Honolulu, for a term ending September 1st, A. D. 1907. The premises thereby demised and all buildings, tanks, crops and improvements thereon or thereupon.

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