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"Cold Facts" and Hawaii.

BY CARL SCHURZ.

Never has the hollowness of the arguments in favor of annexing Hawaii to the United States been more clearly exposed than in the speech recently delivered by Senator Frye at the banquet of the national Association of Manufacturers in New York. "I am only going to call your attention to a few cold facts," said he. "What is the property of the Hawaiian Islands worth? \$39,000,000. Who owns it? Americans own \$30,000. We enjoyed 92½ per cent. of it. . . . You are hunting for markets? Do you want to lose that one! Well, if the United States Senate does not give a two-thirds vote in favor of annexation, you have lost it."

This is an astounding assertion. If it were true that without annexation we would lose that property and that trade, how did it happen that we ever got it without annexation? For it is a "cold fact" that all that Hawaiian property and trade were acquired by Americans while Hawaii was not a part of this republic, but an independent state. Why, then, should we lose those advantages if Hawaii continues to be an independent state?

But Senator Frye tells us solemnly that "if the treaty is not ratified by the United States Senate, in less than a year the Hawaiian Islands will be under the protectorate of Great Britain." Now assuming it were really to be feared—which it is not at all—that the defeat of the annexation treaty in the Senate would be followed by a British protectorate over the Hawaiian Islands would such a protectorate mean the confiscation of American property in Hawaiian territory and the closing of the Hawaiian ports to American trade? Is it not a "cold fact" that Great Britain is loudly proclaiming her policy to keep the ports under her control, in whatever part of the world, open to the trade of all nations? Thus while strongly objecting to a British protectorate over the Hawaiian Islands, we certainly cannot do so on the ground that it would take away our property or our trade.

But is it really true that unless we speedily annex those islands Great Britain will take them? Is it not time that this venerable bugbear of some foreign power being sure to take this or that, unless we take it, should at last subside? Fifty years ago the American people were to be stamped into a prompt acquisition of Cuba by the prediction that, as Spain could not hold that island, Great Britain would surely take it, unless we did. Less than thirty years ago we were told that we must necessarily take St. Thomas and San Domingo, for unless we did some evil-minded European power would pounce upon those valuable possessions. Well, it is a "cold fact" that we took neither Cuba, nor St. Thomas, nor San Domingo; and it is an equally "cold fact" that neither Great Britain nor any other power ever raised a hand to turn our abstinence to its advantage. I do not mean to say that no foreign power would have liked to possess those islands. But I do mean to say that no foreign power stretched out its hand to take any of them knowing that the United States would object.

Is there any reason for apprehending that our objection would be less potent in the case of the Hawaiian Islands? Hear Senator Frye. He tells us that forty-seven years ago Admiral Dupont made a report concerning the military importance of Hawaii, and then, says Senator Frye, "we gave notice to the whole world to keep their hands off those islands. They had been seized four times—once by Russia, once by England, and twice by France—and we

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Passenger Travel.

ARRIVALS.

From Makaweli, per stmr Noeau, February 26—Dr Campbell and wife.

From Hanamaulu, per stmr Keauhou, February 26—Mrs J W Lola.

From San Francisco, per bktnr Archer, February 26—Mrs Blaisdall, 4 children and nurse, L A Rostein, wife and children and Miss L Long.

From Kauai, per stmr W G Hall, February 27—G R James and wife, Geo Lopenidge, J M Farbano, Miss J Smith, Miss A Bechert, A Gandall, Otto Schmidt, L M Vettlesen, R Okube, R Nagao and 34 on deck.

From Maui, per stmr Claudine, February 27—Mrs Sherwood, M L Decker, Lucy Makekai and child, S Kalama, D B Murdock, W H King and child, Wm Kukosa, Hop Yune, Awana Akuna, Achew, S Ahmi, Awai, L M Baldwin, Miss S Doherty, Mrs C P Mulvaney, Miss M Doherty, D H Kahaulolelo, wife and child and 34 on deck.

Imports.

From Maui, per stmr Claudine, February 27—8831 bags sugar, 150 bags corn, 150 bags potatoes, 22 bags rice, 56 bags bonee, 4 horses, 30 head cattle, 151 hogs, 113 pkgs suadries.

From Kapaa, per stmr Jas Makee, February 27—2600 bags sugar for C Brewer & Co, and 135 bags rice.

From Kauai ports, per stmr Mikahala, February 27—5000 bags sugar for H Hackfeld & Co.

From Oahu ports, per stmr Wai-aleale, February 26—3000 bags sugar for M S Grinbaum & Co.

From Kauai, per stmr Keauhou, February 26—3000 bags sugar for H Hackfeld & Co.

From Kauai, per stmr Noeau, February 26—4650 bags sugar for W G Irwin & Co.

From Kauai ports, per stmr W G Hall, February 27—6000 bags sugar for H Hackfeld & Co., 88 bags taro, 8 bbls hides and 2 horses.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

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New Style Ladies Hats may be becoming to some ladies, but "Rainier Beer" will be coming to all ladies by simply Phoning 783.

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Major Hawkins of the "Royal" wishes it to be known that Pabst Bohemian has superseded the famous draught of Doppelbrau. The latter in bottle is an excellent tonic at 25.

The favorite beverage of the nobility is Andrew Usher's whisky and Schweppe's famous soda. The Royal Annex, always up to date, is now responding to the frequent calls for "U. & S"

Paddy Ryan is now assisted by popular William Carlisle at the Anchor Saloon, where Seattle Beer is always on draught and other stimulants furnished. Pointers on all sporting events can be had, free of charge from the athletic manager of the Anchor.

SALE OF COFFEE LAND LEASES.

Under instructions from the Trustees of the B. P. Bishop Estate James F. Morgan will offer for sale at Public Auction, Leases for a term of twenty-one (21) years of valuable Tracts of Coffee and Fruit Land and situate in the subdivision of Keel 1 and 2, South Kona, Hawaii.

Sale to take place on Wednesday, March 23rd, 1898, at 12 o'clock noon, at Morgan's Auction Rooms, Queen street, Honolulu.

Maps and form of lease may be seen at the B. P. Bishop Estate Office, Merchant street, Honolulu, and with Mr. J. D. Paris, Napoopoo, Kona, Hawaii.

Honolulu, February 6th, 1898. 811-td.

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TIME TABLE.

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Stmr. KINAU,

CLARKE, Commander,

Will leave Honolulu at 10 A. M., touching at Lahaina, Maalea Bay and Makena the same day; Mahukona, Kawalae and Laupahoehoe the following day; arriving at Hilo the same afternoon.

LEAVES HONOLULU.	ARRIVES HONOLULU.
*Tuesday.....Feb 15	Wednesday.....Feb 23
Friday.....Feb 25	Saturday.....Mar 5
Tuesday.....Mar 8	Wednesday.....Mar 16
Friday.....Mar 18	Saturday.....Mar 26

Returning will leave Hilo at 8 o'clock A. M., touching at Laupahoehoe, Mahukona and Kawalae same day; Makena, Maalea Bay and Lahaina the following day; arriving at Honolulu the afternoons of Wednesdays and Saturdays.

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Passengers are requested to purchase Tickets before embarking. Those failing to do so will be subject to an additional charge of twenty-five per cent.

Packages containing personal effects, whether shipped as baggage or freight, if the contents thereof exceed \$100 in value, must have the value thereof plainly stated and marked, and the Company will not hold itself liable for any loss or damage in excess of this sum except the goods be shipped under a special contract.

All employees of the Company are forbidden to receive freight without delivering a shipping receipt therefor in the form prescribed by the Company and which may be seen by shippers upon application to the pursers of the Company's Steamers.

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MONDAY, FEB. 28, 1898.

SHALL OPIUM BE LICENSED.

Senator Brown's bill to regulate the sale and importation of opium was read a first time in the Senate this morning, and, as expected, the unreasonable clique of "Bourbons" (not the bottled kind) did their best to defeat the measure by having the bill rejected.

We have not yet had an opportunity of studying the provisions of Mr. Brown's bill, but the opium question is of such a vital importance that it certainly deserves an exhaustive, impartial and business-like investigation, devoid of all maudlin sentiment.

There were men to-day in the Senate who showed unnecessary heat and an inexcusable narrow mindedness in their efforts to kill the bill a sight. That Minister Damon and Senator Waterhouse are sincere in their opposition to the measure cannot be doubted by anyone who knows the character of the two gentlemen. The other side is equally sincere, and as the Attorney-General suggested, it would have very undignified for the Senate to shut off debate on a question of such magnitude. The Attorney-General is opposed to a law providing for the license of opium, still he is ready to support any measure, which will amend the present scandalous conditions, and it is only through a calm, passionless discussion that the best means for the suppression or regulation of the evil can be secured.

We cannot agree with Senator Waterhouse in his proposition that, because the senators opposed the licensing of opium five years ago, they not to favor it now. Why not? Is it possible that even such an immaculate man like Mr. Waterhouse has not gained experience, grasped new ideas, and learned some new lesson during the past five years? His attitude is that of the Bourbons, who would not take a lesson from the pages of history and consequently disappeared in obscurity covered with a pall of historical oblivion. Senator McCandless very justly took exception to his colleague's statement that no amount of argument could change the vote of one Senator, and when the bill passed first reading with 8 votes against 5, Mr. Waterhouse had a direct proof of his mistaken ideas.

The bill was sent to the printing committee and will then go to a special committee, where an exhaustive investigation into present conditions, alleged corruptions and scandals, the cost of carrying out the present laws, and other pertinent matters will be held.

The motion to reject the bill was defeated by the following vote: For the motion—Kauhane, Lyman, Northrup, Waterhouse and Rice. Against the motion—Holstein, Hocking, Baldwin, Brown, McCandless, Schmidt, Wright and Wilcox.

A Compromise.

The case of S. Ami, the well-known Maui merchant, vs. Sheriff Baldwin et al., of Maui, for damages, was discontinued this morning in the Circuit Court, a compromise having been effected.

The case arose from an alleged illegal search of the residence of Mr. Ami by a posse of police hunting for opium. The officers entered Ami's premises at midnight during his absence, with a warrant, to the great fear and annoyance of Ami's wife and family. No opium was found and a suit for damages was instituted by Ami, by his attorney, Mr. Humphreys.

The amount of damages claimed was \$10,000. The sheriff, deputy sheriff, and a large number of officers arrived yesterday to give evidence in the case. Mr. Ami, following Chinese customs refused to allow the female members of the household to appear in court and a discontinuance was asked for and granted.

It is understood that the defendants in the case, who were represented by Mr. Kinney, pay to Ami \$250, besides all the expenses connected with the case.

Another Scare.

There was a serious scare among some of our prominent, gun-wield-politicians last week. The day being very hot and business slack, four gentlemen, who pose as the very foundation pillars of the Republic, and who "know it all" gathered in a convenient back room covered with corrugated iron and situated not many miles from the Esplanade, to discuss the future of the country, the faults of the Dole administration and incidentally play an innocent game of the national game of Americans—5 cents ante, 25 cents limit.

The game and the talk were progressing nicely. One of the brave revolutionists had two pairs, and was going to raise the pot which contained about 35 cents, when a terrific explosion took place on the iron roof, causing the man with the two pairs to throw down his hand and scamble over his colleagues out of the back door.

A reward is offered for the apprehension of the mischievous fellow who waived the red shirt anarchy and set of fire-crackers which laid four gallant, Republican braves, low with a serious attack of heart palpitation.

A Pretty Dance.

The exhibition of the pupils of Mrs. Gunn's dancing school took place on Saturday evening at Independence Park and was witnessed by a large and select audience.

Mrs. Gunn deserves the greatest credit for the excellent appearance of her pupils, and the perfect and graceful manner in which they went through the ancient dances, which certainly are deserving of resurrection during these days of "galoping" through business and pleasure.

After the exhibition the "big 'uns" took the floor and the merry dancing went on until midnight.

A Peculiar Republic.

Mr. Dole has let out a secret about the employment of labor in the Sandwich Islands. When a planter wants more hands, he applies to the President of the Hawaiian Republic for them, and if the President is of the opinion that he should have them, he issues an official permit. Peculiar sort of "Republic" that.—Los Angeles, Cal., Express.

Individual Property.

By the return Australia the newly opened Criterion Barber Shop will have numbered shaving cups to rent by the month, which will be for the sole and exclusive use of the patron.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP EXISTING BETWEEN Drs. Herbert and Paget is unavoidably dissolved to the mutual regret of both parties. Dr. Paget has taken offices in the Masonic Temple. 827-3t

MEETING NOTICE.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of the Inter Island Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., will be held at the Office of the Company, on TUESDAY, March 15, 1898, at 11 o'clock A. M. N. E. GEDDE, Secretary. Honolulu, H. I., Feb. 28, 1898.

Cricket.

The bowlers and the ground got away with the batters at Saturday's cricket match and Captain Herbert's eleven defeated Vice-Captain Mackintosh's team by five wickets.

Married.

KUPIHEA-KEKULA—In this city, on Saturday evening, Feb. 26, 1898, by Elder Abraham Fernandez, James Kupihea to Mrs. Kekula.

Died.

TINKER—In this city, February 26, 1898, Percival Edgar Tinker, son of Joseph Tinker, aged 7 years and 4 months.

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Timely Topics.

Honolulu, Feb. 18, 1898

PURITY IS THE SOUL

of life, and impurity the shroud of death. Unseen by and unknown to most of us, we are surrounded by deadly health poisoning germs of disease, but which, thanks to sanitary science, are being more formidably encountered and conquered day by day by the irresistible forces of purity. Soon we are to adopt Herring's system of sewerage for our fair city, but this will take time to complete, so we must each act his little part to preserve health. Purity of water is one of the greatest essentials, and no purer water can be obtained than by the use of the

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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Pay day.
 Healan dance on Friday.
 Battalion drills to-morrow and Friday evenings.
 Delightfully cool, healthy and bracing weather.
 The Zealandia sails for the Coast to-morrow morning.
 New Laces and insertions, N. S. Sachs Dry Goods Company, Ltd.
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 New Organdies and Muslins, N. S. Sachs Dry Goods Company, Ltd.
 The band plays at Emma Square this evening, and Miss Kanoho sings.
 Charles Krauter's cornet solo this evening will be Michiels "Hawaii Pono."
 The Princess Kaiulani is indisposed, and will not receive to-morrow afternoon.

Capt. Clarence Crabbe's team has defeated that of Capt. Hingley by a score of 391 to 366.
 Touching references were made in the churches yesterday to the disaster to the U. S. S. Maine.

It is satisfactory to learn that Minister Cooper cannot be President even although he can act as "Acting."

A report comes from Makana, Maui, that a Chinese committed suicide by hanging. No details are furnished.

The partnership existing between Drs. Herbert and Paget has been dissolved to the mutual regret of both parties.

There will be a special dinner at the Hawaiian Hotel this evening in honor of the guests departing by the Zealandia to-morrow.

The barkentine Sharpshooter arrived at Kahului on the 25th, 19 days from San Francisco. She carried a pump for Paia plantation as well as general merchandise for the Makawao plantations.

The Theo. H. Davies & Co., Ltd., announce the following gentlemen as officers for the ensuing year: Theo. H. Davies, managing director; T. R. Walker and F. M. Swaozy, directors; W. H. Baird, treasurer; J. C. Cook, secretary, and T. R. Keyworth, auditor.

The sympathies of a large circle of friends is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tinker on the death of their bright little eight-year old boy, Percival Edgar. The little one was buried yesterday afternoon in Nuanuu Cemetery, Rev. Alexander Mackintosh officiating.

The Waverley Club free opening entertainment will be given on Thursday evening next. Hon. A. V. Gear will preside and Theo. H. Davies, Esq., will deliver the opening address. A capital program is being arranged including a communication from Alexander Young, Esq., on the object of the club.

Two police officers at Kaneohe have been discharged by the District Magistrate for assaulting a Chinese woman. The Marshal and Officer Chillingworth went to Kaneohe on Saturday afternoon to investigate the matter. The officers have been arrested on a charge of assault and battery and were arraigned in the District Court this morning when a continuance was granted. Mr. Chas. Creighton is the attorney for the defendants.

At Cyclomere.

Cyclomere attracted a large crowd on Saturday evening and the Government band and Miss Kanoho furnished the musical portion of the entertainment. The weather was delightfully cool and the races and events likewise, and there were several contretemps and spills but no serious injuries occurred except to the feelings of the spectators. There were several withdrawals and the program was not carried out much to the chagrin of the indefatigable management.

Sylva won the final in the mile professional in 2:44, but in the repeat it was made in 2:30 and won cleverly by Allan Jones.

Bilmartin had a glorious race for the 2-3 mile handicap with Sylva and won in 1:31.

The Ball Game.

The Punahou boys defeated the Kamehamehas in the opening base ball game of the season by a score of 20 to 10. Prince Cupid and Kanoni umpired the game with absolute satisfaction.

MINISTER BAITING.

Political Catechism in the House of Representatives.

Representative J. D. Paris asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs:

"Will you please inform this House the amounts demanded by the British government from the Republic of Hawaii for each of the following persons: E. B. Thomas, C. W. Ashford, F. H. Redward, W. F. Renolds, Thos. Rawlins, M. S. Bailey, F. Harrison and Lewis Levey?"

The Minister replied to Mr. Paris as follows: "As the matter covered by this question may be a subject of further diplomatic correspondence it seems unwise at the present time to make a public answer to the question."

Rep. Gear asked the following question of the Minister of Foreign Affairs:

"What is the present actual status of the claims referred to by the Minister of Foreign Affairs on pages 16, 17, 18, 19, 97 and 98 of his report to the Legislature?"

"Has any specific amount been suggested by the British government as adequate compensation for the claimants, except Charles Dunwell, mentioned on page 17 of such report?"

"Have any other claims for compensation, not specifically mentioned in said report to the Legislature, been brought to the attention of the Minister of Foreign Affairs by the representatives of any foreign powers, and if so, what are the names of such claimants and by what government have such claims been presented, and what is the amount of such compensation requested or suggested?"

"Has the government of the Republic of Hawaii made, attempted to make, or been requested to make any compromise in regard to claims for compensation arising out of the imprisonment of any person or persons during the month of January, 1895, and if so, will the Minister of Foreign Affairs furnish the Legislature with all necessary information in regard thereto?"

Mr. Cooper replied to Mr. Gear to the following effect:

"Several representatives of foreign powers have asked for information concerning the arrest of citizens of their respective countries during the insurrection of 1895. Statements of facts and briefs have been furnished in each instance. The government has taken the opinion that it recognized no liability in any case, that of Charles E. Dunwell alone, excepted."

Amounts: "The matter covered by this question may still be a subject of diplomatic correspondence; this being the case it seems unwise at this time to make a public answer to the question."

A claim by the United States in 1895 for \$25,000 for James Durrell had passed over.

Compromises had been suggested but as the government admitted no liability to submit to compromise proposals had not been entertained.

Mr. King replied to Mr. Atkinson, respecting permits to Asiatics in 1896 and 1897, that 4066 Japanese and 2419 Chinese had been so admitted. Bonds are filed with applications and employers are bound to the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

One after another the Attorney-General read the following replies to questions propounded to him by various members in the past few days:

In reply to the question submitted by Mr. L. L. McCandless, as to "how many of the political prisoners of 1895 have paid fines and how much and who are the same, if any," the Attorney-General gives the following list of the names of such prisoners and the amounts paid by them, respectively:

J. A. Cummins.....	\$5000 00
Kaimimoku.....	100 00
J. C. Lane.....	100 00
W. K. Hutchison.....	234 00
Jas. Aylett.....	50 00
John K. Baker.....	6 50

In reply to the question presented by Mr. A. V. Gear—"Are you aware that the prosecuting officers, or any of them, in your department or un-

der your control receive any fee or reward from or in behalf of any person or prosecutor or receive any part of any fine or fines which under the law are paid to informers"—the Attorney-General submitted an answer from the Marshal, saying: "I do not know of any instance where any portion of a fine has been paid to officers of this department except in cases for violation of the opium and smuggling laws, which provide that one-half of the fine imposed shall be paid to the person giving the information, and in such cases police officers have when furnishing such information received the half of the fine imposed."

"In but very few cases of this nature are the parties from whom the police officer may have received information known to the court or to the prosecuting officer, and when such parties have furnished the police officer with information the half of the fine, after being received by the officer, is divided among them as they may see fit."

In reply to the question of Mr. J. D. Paris as to whether the Cabinet had asked the opinion of the Supreme Court, as to the eligibility of Minister H. E. Cooper to act as President of the Republic of Hawaii, as required by Article 22 of the Constitution, viz.: "to have been born in the Hawaiian Islands or resided therein fifteen years," the Attorney-General stated that the Cabinet did not formally ask the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Court upon the matter. The Article of the Constitution referred to applies solely to the office of President. Minister Cooper has not resided in the Hawaiian Islands for fifteen years, and he would not be eligible to the office of President, but it seems clear that the provisions of this Article do not apply to the performance by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the duties of President.

Section 5 provides: "In case any Minister shall act as herein provided, he shall, while so acting, have all the rights and be subject to all the duties and obligations by this Constitution granted to or prescribed for the President."

President Dole, notwithstanding his absence from the country, is the President of the Republic of Hawaii. There can be but one President. The Minister of Foreign Affairs during the absence of the President performs the duties of the President ex-officio by virtue of his office as Minister of Foreign Affairs.

In reply to the question propounded by Mr. A. V. Gear, Representative of the Fourth District, relative to the enforcement of Sections 68 and 69 of the Tax Law of 1896, I would state:

Section 68 of Chapter 51 of the Laws of 1896, referred to, provides: "If any of the property by this Act directed to be returned shall consist of real and personal property, or several classes or kinds or parcels of real or personal property, respectively, which are combined and made the basis of an enterprise for profit—the same shall be assessed as a whole; and the statute goes on to provide the method of assessing such valuation."

The question submitted is whether or not the enforcement of this statute has not been neglected.

In reply I would state that in my opinion the enforcement of this statute has not been neglected.

It should be stated, in order to give full information in regard to the course pursued by the Government in this matter, that the construction of the provision referred to was surrounded with considerable difficulty in applying the Act to the property of sugar and rice plantation and stock ranches, which were composed of several classes or kinds or parcels of real or personal property. A severe contest was made against the action of the Tax Assessor in applying the provisions of the Act to the property of the Inter Island Steam Navigation Company, and the matter was carried to the Supreme Court. The Court held that: "In this case, the assessment of the plaintiff's property, consisting of steamships, ship chandlery coal and real estate, as a whole," was proper.

Another question of the construction of the statute was whether or not its provisions applied to purely mercantile concerns. A purely mercantile concern was understood to mean a business where the proprietor either owned or leased a building and lot and a stock of merchandise and business incidental thereto; or in the case of individuals, partnerships or corporations which carried on a purely mercantile commission or agency business.

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the statute in question was not intended to apply to purely mercantile concerns; and the Assessors were instructed accordingly.
 The conclusion arrived at by the Government was not, in my opinion the neglecting to enforce the provisions of the Act, but was purely a construction of its provisions. In arriving at this conclusion the Council believed that they were carrying out the true intent and meaning of the statute.

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said to three nations, 'Hereafter keep your hands off from those islands; they are under our protection.' If forty-seven years ago they were so important, how about today? Well, if forty-seven years ago when our population was only 23 millions, and our wealth and power not to be compared with what they are now, a mere note of warning on the part of the United States sufficed to induce all the great powers of the world to "keep their hands off from those islands," will it require more than a warning today, when we have a population of 75 millions, and are in many respects the richest and strongest nation in the world? It is a "cold fact," made evident ever so many times, from the settlement of the Alabama claims to that of the Venezuela trouble, that since the close of our civil war it is one of the very first precepts of British statesmanship to remain on good terms with the United States, and that no British government would be tempted by any advantage to derived from a protectorate over Hawaii to get into a serious quarrel with this republic. This stale talk about what Great Britain is going to do against the United States has so long been the resort of the cheapest kind of demagoguery that self-respecting public men should at last be ashamed of it.

It is equally silly to say that if we do not annex Hawaii Japan will do so. No clear-headed statesman will believe for a moment that Japan, struggling to maintain its new place among the powers of the world, and straining its scanty financial resources for that purpose to the utmost, could be so foolish as to provoke the ill-will of so great and hitherto so friendly a power as the United States by scattering in distant adventures its military and naval forces which are so sadly needed for the protection of its interests near by.

But it is said that if we decline accepting the Hawaiian Islands when they are offered to us, we are estopped from objecting if someone else takes them. The same flimsy argument was urged in the San Domingo case. Nothing could be more preposterous. The acceptance of this proposition on our part would knock the bottom out of our whole Monroe doctrine. It would mean that, having refused to annex San Domingo once, we could not object to any European power taking it; or that if some American republic, Nicaragua for instance, offered itself to us without being taken, this refusal would preclude us from insisting upon Nicaragua's remaining an independent state in case some accidental dictator there should attempt to sell it to some European power, as Paez tried to sell San Domingo. The "cold fact" is that if we now decline to accept Hawaii from the hands of the accidental dictators there, our moral authority in forbidding any other power to take it, and in insisting that it shall remain an independent state, will not be less than it was before, but it will be far greater and more commanding, for nobody will then be able to say that we assert it with the selfish intent of finally seizing the prize ourselves. No power will dare to defy it.

Senator Frye says further: "If you have commerce in the Pacific Ocean, where are you going to rest your ships, and to get your coal, and to have your naval stations? There is but one spot left in the entire Pacific Ocean, and that is the Hawaiian Islands." Well, where do we "rest our ships" and "get our coal" now? It is a "cold fact" that we do so in the independent state of Hawaii, and also in other countries equally independent. What a novel and strange idea is this that we cannot "rest our ships" or "get our coal" in any ports that do not belong to us! If so, Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia would be to us substantially inaccessible countries. And as to a naval station, have we not Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, which we may fortify and use for all sorts of naval purposes as soon as we see fit?

Must we annex the whole of Hawaii in order to get accommodations and protection for our fleet in Pearl Harbor which is already at our disposal? Must Great Britain annex the whole of Spain in order to hold Gibraltar?

So much for Senator Frye's "cold facts." A candid review of them proves clearly that all the advantages which we are told the annexation of Hawaii would bring us may be had without it. And now we are asked—even without the inducement of an otherwise unobtainable benefit—to incorporate in our political system a foreign country, over two thousand miles distant from our nearest coast, and to smirch our character as a nation by taking it from the hands of a usurping oligarchy put in power by a revolutionary act lawlessly sided by our own officers, and not representing the people; a country the defence of which will require us to maintain large and costly armaments not otherwise necessary; a country with a tropical climate, the principal laboring force in which can never be of Germanic blood, and in which democratic institutions as we understand them can never flourish; a country an overwhelming majority of whose population consists of kanakas, Chinese, Japanese, and Portuguese, with a very slight sprinkling of Americans, Englishmen, and Germans! We are asked to expose ourselves to the chance of that country being made a State of this Union, its population, through their Senators and Representatives, to take part in ruling this republic, and our people; in closely contested Presidential elections, to wait for the returns of the kanaka or Portuguese vote in the back districts of far-away Oahu Island to decide our destinies! We are asked to excite by this annexation the appetite for more aggrandizement, and thus to launch out on an indefinite policy of wild adventure! Truly the "cold facts" of the case cannot be too soberly weighed.—Harper's Weekly.

Our "Gold Brick" Guest.

The arrival of Dole has been the signal for the opening of a campaign of slander in behalf of the Great South Sea Swindle. The promoters of that vast raid on the United States Treasury are whispering and insinuating that certain Senators are not all that they ought to be. It is not charged or rather insinuated that these Senators are corrupt or unduly influenced in the matter of the Great Swindle, but simply that in some other matters a long time ago and a long way off they did or said something or other that they ought not to have done or said.

If this is the sort campaign work which Dole hurried here to promote, the Hawaiian oligarch had better have applied his expense money toward paying the interest on those \$4,000,000 of bonds which the annexation treaty would generously permit the American people to pay. Slanders on United States Senators are not arguments for the Great South Sea Swindle. They will not even cover up the now patent lack of argument for that fraud.

There is a code of manners and courtesies for guests that would ordinarily have a restraint upon a foreigner paying a visit to this Government, in which Senators are high officials. But Dole can hardly be called a guest. As well might a farmer give the title of guest to the "con man" who comes to sell him a "gold brick."—New York World.

Dole's Self Sacrifice.

The presidency of Hawaii can not be very much of a job, and the country itself scarcely be very much of a country, when its patriotic executive journeys to a foreign capital 6,000 miles in order that he may use his influence to get both off his hands. The spirit of self-sacrifice is not so abundant in this world that the prohibitionists feel impelled to get after it, and there is a robust suspicion abroad that if Mr. Dole had a good thing, he would keep it.—Binghamton, N. Y., Leader.

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BY CARL SCHURZ.

Never has the hollowness of the arguments in favor of annexing Hawaii to the United States been more clearly exposed than in the speech recently delivered by Senator Frye at the banquet of the national Association of Manufacturers in New York. "I am only going to call your attention to a few cold facts," said he. "What is the property of the Hawaiian Islands worth? \$39,000,000. Who owns it? Americans own \$30,000. We enjoyed 92½ per cent. of it. . . . You are hunting for markets? Do you want to lose that one! Well, if the United States Senate does not give a two-thirds vote in favor of annexation, you have lost it."

This is an astounding assertion. If it were true that without annexation we would lose that property and that trade, how did it happen that we ever got it without annexation? For it is a "cold fact" that all that Hawaiian property and trade were acquired by Americans while Hawaii was not a part of this republic, but an independent state. Why, then, should we lose those advantages if Hawaii continues to be an independent state?

But Senator Frye tells us solemnly that "if the treaty is not ratified by the United States Senate, in less than a year the Hawaiian Islands will be under the protectorate of Great Britain." Now assuming it were really to be feared—which it is not at all—that the defeat of the annexation treaty in the Senate would be followed by a British protectorate over the Hawaiian Islands would such a protectorate mean the confiscation of American property in Hawaiian territory and the closing of the Hawaiian ports to American trade? Is it not a "cold fact" that Great Britain is loudly proclaiming her policy to keep the ports under her control, in whatever part of the world, open to the trade of all nations? Thus while strongly objecting to a British protectorate over the Hawaiian Islands, we certainly cannot do so on the ground that it would take away our property or our trade.

But is it really true that unless we speedily annex those islands Great Britain will take them? Is it not time that this venerable bugbear of some foreign power being sure to take this or that, unless we take it, should at last subside? Fifty years ago the American people were to be stamped into a prompt acquisition of Cuba by the prediction that, as Spain could not hold that island, Great Britain would surely take it, unless we did. Less than thirty years ago we were told that we must necessarily take St. Thomas and San Domingo, for unless we did some evil-minded European power would pounce upon those valuable possessions. Well, it is a "cold fact" that we took neither Cuba, nor St. Thomas, nor San Domingo; and it is an equally "cold fact" that neither Great Britain nor any other power ever raised a hand to turn our abstinence to its advantage. I do not mean to say that no foreign power would have liked to possess those islands. But I do mean to say that no foreign power stretched out its hand to take any of them knowing that the United States would object.

Is there any reason for apprehending that our objection would be less potent in the case of the Hawaiian Islands? Hear Senator Frye. He tells us that forty-seven years ago Admiral Dupont made a report concerning the military importance of Hawaii, and then, says Senator Frye, "we gave notice to the whole world to keep their hands off those islands. They had been seized four times—once by Russia, once by England, and twice by France—and we

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Passenger Travel.

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From Makaweli, per stmr Noeau, February 26—Dr Campbell and wife.

From Hanamaulu, per stmr Keauhou, February 26—Mrs J W Lola.

From San Francisco, per bktn Archer, February 26—Mrs Blaisdall, 4 children and nurse, L A Rostein, wife and children and Miss L Long.

From Kauai, per stmr W G Hall, February 27—G R James and wife, Geo Loppedge, J M Farbano, Miss J Smith, Miss A Bechert, A Gandall, Otto Schmidt, L M Vettlesen, R Okube, R Nagao and 34 on deck.

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MONDAY, FEB. 28, 1898.

SHALL OPIUM BE LICENSED.

Senator Brown's bill to regulate the sale and importation of opium was read a first time in the Senate this morning, and, as expected, the unreasonable clique of "Bourbons" (not the bottled kind) did their best to defeat the measure by having the bill rejected.

We have not yet had an opportunity of studying the provisions of Mr. Brown's bill, but the opium question is of such a vital importance that it certainly deserves an exhaustive, impartial and business-like investigation, devoid of all maudlin sentiment.

There were men to-day in the Senate who showed unnecessary heat and an inexcusable narrow mindedness in their efforts to kill the bill at sight. That Minister Damon and Senator Waterhouse are sincere in their opposition to the measure cannot be doubted by anyone who know the character of the two gentlemen. The other side is equally sincere, and as the Attorney-General suggested, it would have very undignified for the Senate to shut off debate on a question of such magnitude. The Attorney-General is opposed to a law providing for the license of opium, still he is ready to support any measure, which will amend the present scandalous conditions, and it is only through a calm, passionless discussion that the best means for the suppression or regulation of the evil can be secured.

We cannot agree with Senator Waterhouse in his proposition that, because the senators opposed the licensing of opium five years ago, they not to favor it now. Why not? Is it possible that even such an immaculate man like Mr. Waterhouse has not gained experience, grasped new ideas, and learned some new lesson during the past five years? His attitude is that of the Bourbons, who would not take a lesson from the pages of history and consequently disappeared in obscurity covered with a pall of historical oblivion. Senator McCandless very justly took exception to his colleague's statement that no amount of argument could change the vote of one Senator, and when the bill passed first reading with 8 votes against 5, Mr. Waterhouse had a direct proof of his mistaken ideas.

The bill was sent to the printing committee and will then go to a special committee, where an exhaustive investigation into present conditions, alleged corruptions and scandals, the cost of carrying out the present laws, and other pertinent matters will be held.

The motion to reject the bill was defeated by the following vote: For the motion—Kauhaue, Lyman, Northrup, Waterhouse and Rice. Against the motion—Holstein, Hocking, Baldwin, Brown, McCandless, Schmidt, Wright and Wilcox.

A Compromise.

The case of S. Ami, the well-known Mani merchant, vs. Sheriff Baldwin et al., of Maui, for damages, was discontinued this morning in the Circuit Court, a compromise having been effected.

The case arose from an alleged illegal search of the residence of Mr. Ahmi by a posse of police hunting for opium. The officers entered Ahmi's premises at midnight during his absence, with a warrant, to the great fear and annoyance of Ahmi's wife and family. No opium was found and a suit for damages was instituted by Ahmi, by his attorney, Mr. Humphreys.

The amount of damages claimed was \$10,000. The sheriff, deputy sheriff, and a large number of officers arrived yesterday to give evidence in the case. Mr. Ahmi, following Chinese customs refused to allow the female members of the household to appear in court and a discontinuance was asked for and granted.

It is understood that the defendants in the case, who were represented by Mr. Kinney, pay to Ahmi \$250, besides all the expenses connected with the case.

Another Scare.

There was a serious scare among some of our prominent, gun-wield-politicians last week. The day being very hot and business slack, four gentlemen, who pose as the very foundation pillars of the Republic, and who "know it all" gathered in a convenient back room covered with corrugated iron and situated not many miles from the Esplanade, to discuss the future of the country, the faults of the Dole administration and incidentally play an innocent game of the national game of Americans—5 cents ante, 25 cents limit.

The game and the talk were progressing nicely. One of the brave revolutionists had two pairs, and was going to raise the pot which contained about 35 cents, when a terrific explosion took place on the iron roof, causing the man with the two pairs to throw down his hand and scramble over his colleagues out of the back door.

A reward is offered for the apprehension of the mischievous fellow who waived the red shirt anarchy and set of fire-crackers which laid four gallant, Republican braves, low with a serious attack of heart palpitation.

A Pretty Dance.

The exhibition of the pupils of Mrs. Gunn's dancing school took place on Saturday evening at Independence Park and was witnessed by a large and select audience.

Mrs. Gunn deserves the greatest credit for the excellent appearance of her pupils, and the perfect and graceful manner in which they went through the ancient dances, which certainly are deserving of resurrection during these days of "galoping" through business and pleasure.

After the exhibition the "big 'uns" took the floor and the merry dancing went on until midnight.

A Peculiar Republic.

Mr. Dole has let out a secret about the employment of labor in the Sandwich Islands. When a planter wants more hands, he applies to the President of the Hawaiian Republic for them, and if the President is of the opinion that he should have them, he issues an official permit. Peculiar sort of "Republic" that.—*Los Angeles, Cal., Express.*

Individual Property.

By the return Australia the newly opened Criterion Barber Shop will have numbered shaving cups to rent by the month, which will be for the sole and exclusive use of the patron.

NOTICE.

THE PARTNERSHIP EXISTING BETWEEN Drs. Herbert and Paget is unavoidably dissolved to the mutual regret of both parties. Dr. Paget has taken offices in the Masonic Temple. 827-3t

MEETING NOTICE.

THE REGULAR ANNUAL MEETING of the Stockholders of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., will be held at the Office of the Company, on TUESDAY, March 15, 1898, at 11 o'clock A. M. N. K. GEDGE, Secretary. Honolulu, H. I., Feb. 28, 1898.

Cricket.

The bowlers and the ground got away with the batters at Saturday's cricket match and Captain Herbert's eleven defeated Vice-Captain Mackintosh's team by five wickets.

Married.

KUPIHEA-KEKULA—In this city, on Saturday evening, Feb. 26, 1898, by Elder Abraham Fernandez, James Kupihea to Mrs. Kekula.

Died.

TINKER—In this city, February 26, 1898, Percival Edgar Tinker, son of Joseph Tinker, aged 7 years and 4 months.

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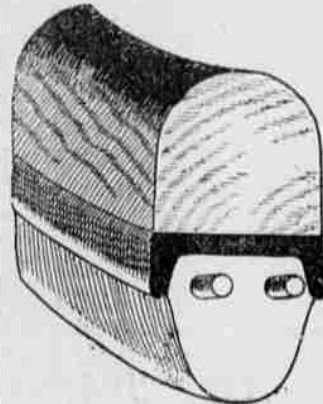
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Pay day.
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The band plays at Emma Square this evening, and Miss Kanoho sings.
Charles Krauter's cornet solo this evening will be Michiels "Hawaii Pono."
The Princess Kaiulani is indisposed, and will not receive to-morrow afternoon.
Capt. Clarence Crabbe's team has defeated that of Capt. Hingley by a score of 391 to 366.
Touching references were made in the churches yesterday to the disaster to the U. S. S. Maine.
It is satisfactory to learn that Minister Cooper cannot be President even although he can act as "Acting."

A report comes from Makena, Maui, that a Chinese committed suicide by hanging. No details are furnished.
The partnership existing between Drs. Herbert and Paget has been dissolved to the mutual regret of both parties.
There will be a special dinner at the Hawaiian Hotel this evening in honor of the guests departing by the Zealandia to-morrow.

The barkentine Sharpshooter arrived at Kahului on the 25th, 19 days from San Francisco. She carried a pump for Paia plantation as well as general merchandise for the Makawao plantations.
The Theo. H. Davies & Co., Ltd., announce the following gentlemen as officers for the ensuing year: Theo. H. Davies, managing director; T. R. Walker and F. M. Swanzy, directors; W. H. Baird, treasurer; J. C. Cook, secretary, and T. R. Keyworth, auditor.

The sympathies of a large circle of friends is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Tinker on the death of their bright little eight-year old boy, Percival Edgar. The little one was buried yesterday afternoon in Nunanu Cemetery, Rev. Alexander Mackintosh officiating.
The Waverley Club free opening entertainment will be given on Thursday evening next. Hon. A. V. Gear will preside and Theo. H. Davies, Esq., will deliver the opening address. A capital program is being arranged including a communication from Alexander Young, Esq., on the object of the club.

Two police officers at Kaneohe have been discharged by the District Magistrate for assaulting a Chinese woman. The Marshal and Officer Chillingworth went to Kaneohe on Saturday afternoon to investigate the matter. The officers have been arrested on a charge of assault and battery and were arraigned in the District Court this morning when a continuance was granted. Mr. Chas. Creighton is the attorney for the defendants.

At Cyclomere.

Cyclomere attracted a large crowd on Saturday evening and the Government band and Miss Kanoho furnished the musical portion of the entertainment. The weather was delightfully cool and the races and events likewise, and there were several contretemps and spills but no serious injuries occurred except to the feelings of the spectators. There were several withdrawals and the program was not carried out much to the chagrin of the indefatigable management.
Sylvia won the final in the mile professional in 2:44, but in the repeat it was made in 2:30 and won cleverly by Allan Jones.
Bilmartin had a glorious race for the 2-3 mile handicap with Sylvia and won in 1:31.

The Ball Game.

The Punahou boys defeated the Kamehamehas in the opening base ball game of the season by a score of 20 to 10. Prince Cupid and Kanoi umpired the game with absolute satisfaction.

MINISTER BAITING.

Political Catechism in the House of Representatives.

Representative J. D. Paris asked the Minister of Foreign Affairs: "Will you please inform this House the amounts demanded by the British government from the Republic of Hawaii for each of the following persons: E. B. Thomas, C. W. Ashford, F. H. Redward, W. F. Renolds, Thos. Rawlins, M. S. Bailey, F. Harrison and Lewis Levey?"
The Minister replied to Mr. Paris as follows: "As the matter covered by this question may be a subject of further diplomatic correspondence it seems unwise at the present time to make a public answer to the question."

Rep. Gear asked the following question of the Minister of Foreign Affairs: "What is the present actual status of the claims referred to by the Minister of Foreign Affairs on pages 16, 17, 18, 19, 97 and 98 of his report to the Legislature?"
"Has any specific amount been suggested by the British government as adequate compensation for the claimants, except Charles Dunwell, mentioned on page 17 of such report?"
"Have any other claims for compensation, not specifically mentioned in said report to the Legislature, been brought to the attention of the Minister of Foreign Affairs by the representatives of any foreign powers, and if so, what are the names of such claimants and by what government have such claims been presented, and what is the amount of such compensation requested or suggested?"
"Has the government of the Republic of Hawaii made, attempted to make, or been requested to make any compromise in regard to claims for compensation arising out of the imprisonment of any person or persons during the month of January, 1895, and if so, will the Minister of Foreign Affairs furnish the Legislature with all necessary information in regard thereto?"

Mr. Cooper replied to Mr. Gear to the following effect: "Several representatives of foreign powers have asked for information concerning the arrest of citizens of their respective countries during the insurrection of 1895. Statements of facts and briefs have been furnished in each instance. The government has taken the opinion that it recognized no liability in any case, that of Charles E. Dunwell alone, excepted."
Amounts: "The matter covered by this question may still be a subject of diplomatic correspondence; this being the case it seems unwise at this time to make a public answer to the question."
A claim by the United States in 1895 for \$25,000 for James Durrell had passed over.
Compromises had been suggested but as the government admitted no liability to submit to compromise proposals had not been entertained.
Mr. King replied to Mr. Atkinson, respecting permits to Asiatics in 1896 and 1897, that 4066 Japanese and 2419 Chinese had been so admitted. Bonds are filed with applications and employers are bound to the Minister of Foreign Affairs.

One after another the Attorney-General read the following replies to questions propounded to him by various members in the past few days:
In reply to the question submitted by Mr. L. L. McCandless, as to "how many of the political prisoners of 1895 have paid fines and how much and who are the same, if any," the Attorney-General gives the following list of the names of such prisoners and the amounts paid by them, respectively:

J. A. Cummins.....	\$5000 00
Kaimimoku.....	100 00
J. C. Lane.....	100 00
W. K. Hutchison.....	234 00
Jas. Aylett.....	50 00
John K. Baker.....	6 50

In reply to the question presented by Mr. A. V. Gear—"Are you aware that the prosecuting officers, or any of them, in your department or un-

der your control receive any fee or reward from or in behalf of any person or prosecutor or receive any part of any fine or fines which under the law are paid to informers"—the Attorney-General submitted an answer from the Marshal, saying: "I do not know of any instance where any portion of a fine has been paid to officers of this department except in cases for violation of the opium and smuggling laws, which provide that one-half of the fine imposed shall be paid to the person giving the information, and in such cases police officers have when furnishing such information received the half of the fine imposed."
"In but very few cases of this nature are the parties from whom the police officer may have received information known to the court or to the prosecuting officer, and when such parties have furnished the police officer with information the half of the fine, after being received by the officer, is divided among them as they may see fit."

In reply to the question of Mr. J. D. Paris as to whether the Cabinet had asked the opinion of the Supreme Court, as to the eligibility of Minister H. E. Cooper to act as President of the Republic of Hawaii, as required by Article 22 of the Constitution, viz.: "to have been born in the Hawaiian Islands or resided therein fifteen years," the Attorney-General stated that the Cabinet did not formally ask the opinion of the Justices of the Supreme Court upon the matter. The Article of the Constitution referred to applies solely to the office of President. Minister Cooper has not resided in the Hawaiian Islands for fifteen years, and he would not be eligible to the office of President, but it seems clear that the provisions of this Article do not apply to the performance by the Minister of Foreign Affairs of the duties of President.

Section 5 provides: "In case any Minister shall act as herein provided, he shall, while so acting, have all the rights and be subject to all the duties and obligations by this Constitution granted to or prescribed for the President."
President Dole, notwithstanding his absence from the country, is the President of the Republic of Hawaii. There can be but one President. The Minister of Foreign Affairs during the absence of the President performs the duties of the President ex-officio by virtue of his office as Minister of Foreign Affairs.

In reply to the question propounded by Mr. A. V. Gear, Representative of the Fourth District, relative to the enforcement of Sections 68 and 69 of the Tax Law of 1896, I would state:
Section 68 of Chapter 51 of the Laws of 1896, referred to, provides: "If any of the property by this Act directed to be returned shall consist of real and personal property, or several classes or kinds or parcels of real or personal property, respectively, which are combined and made the basis of an enterprise for profit—the same shall be assessed as a whole; and the statute goes on to provide the method of assessing such valuation."
The question submitted is whether or not the enforcement of this statute has not been neglected.
In reply I would state that in my opinion the enforcement of this statute has not been neglected.
It should be stated, in order to give full information in regard to the course pursued by the Government in this matter, that the construction of the provision referred to was surrounded with considerable difficulty in applying the Act to the property of sugar and rice plantation and stock ranches, which were composed of several classes or kinds or parcels of real or personal property. A severe contest was made against the action of the Tax Assessor in applying the provisions of the Act to the property of the Inter Island Steam Navigation Company, and the matter was carried to the Supreme Court. The Court held that: "In this case, the assessment of the plaintiff's property, consisting of steamships, ship chandlery coal and real estate, as a whole," was proper.

Another question of the construction of the statute was whether or not its provisions applied to purely mercantile concerns. A purely mercantile concern was understood to mean a business where the proprietor either owned or leased a building and lot and a stock of merchandise and business incidental thereto; or in the case of individuals, partnerships or corporations which carried on a purely mercantile commission or agency business.
After careful consideration it was ruled by the Executive Council that

the statute in question was not intended to apply to purely mercantile concerns; and the Assessors were instructed accordingly.
The conclusion arrived at by the Government was not, in my opinion the neglecting to enforce the provisions of the Act, but was purely a construction of its provisions. In arriving at this conclusion the Council believed that they were carrying out the true intent and meaning of the statute.

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1 Mile Dash for amateurs, to beat 2:35, or no race.
 - 6th RACE—UNION FEED CO.'S PURSE, \$50.
3/4 Mile Dash. Free for all.
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Mile Heats, 3 in 5. Free for all trotting and pacing.
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Mile Dash. Running Race. Free for all.
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Gentlemen's driving race for road horses, to be driven by the owners.
 - 10th RACE—CITY SHOING SHOP PURSE, \$75.
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said to three nations, 'Hereafter keep your hands off from those islands; they are under our protection.' If forty-seven years ago they were so important, how about today? Well, if forty-seven years ago when our population was only 23 millions, and our wealth and power not to be compared with what they are now, a mere note of warning on the part of the United States sufficed to induce all the great powers of the world to "keep their hands off from those islands," will it require more than a warning today, when we have a population of 75 millions, and are in many respects the richest and strongest nation in the world? It is a "cold fact," made evident ever so many times, from the settlement of the Alabama claims to that of the Venezuela trouble, that since the close of our civil war it is one of the very first precepts of British statesmanship to remain on good terms with the United States, and that no British government would be tempted by any advantage to derived from a protectorate over Hawaii to get into a serious quarrel with this republic. This stale talk about what Great Britain is going to do against the United States has so long been the resort of the cheapest kind of demagoguery that self-respecting public men should at last be ashamed of it.

It is equally silly to say that if we do not annex Hawaii Japan will do so. No clear-headed statesman will believe for a moment that Japan, struggling to maintain its new place among the powers of the world, and straining its scanty financial resources for that purpose to the utmost, could be so foolish as to provoke the ill-will of so great and hitherto so friendly a power as the United States by scattering in distant adventures its military and naval forces which are so sadly needed for the protection of its interests near by.

But it is said that if we decline accepting the Hawaiian Islands when they are offered to us, we are estopped from objecting if someone else takes them. The same flimsy argument was urged in the San Domingo case. Nothing could be more preposterous. The acceptance of this proposition on our part would knock the bottom out of our whole Monroe doctrine. It would mean that, having refused to annex San Domingo once, we could not object to any European power taking it; or that if some American republic, Nicaragua for instance, offered itself to us without being taken, this refusal would preclude us from insisting upon Nicaragua's remaining an independent state in case some accidental dictator there should attempt to sell it to some European power, as Paez tried to sell San Domingo. The "cold fact" is that if we now decline to accept Hawaii from the hands of the accidental dictators there, our moral authority in forbidding any other power to take it, and in insisting that it shall remain an independent state, will not be less than it was before, but it will be far greater and more commanding, for nobody will then be able to say that we assert it with the selfish intent of finally seizing the prize ourselves. No power will dare to defy it.

Senator Frye says further: "If you have commerce in the Pacific Ocean, where are you going to rest your ships, and to get your coal, and to have your naval stations? There is but one spot left in the entire Pacific Ocean, and that is the Hawaiian Islands." Well, where do we "rest our ships" and "get our coal" now? It is a "cold fact" that we do so in the independent state of Hawaii, and also in other countries equally independent. What a novel and strange idea is this that we cannot "rest our ships" or "get our coal" in any ports that do not belong to us! If so, Europe, Asia, Africa, and Australia would be to us substantially inaccessible countries. And as to a naval station, have we not Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, which we may fortify and use for all sorts of naval purposes as soon as we see fit?

Must we annex the whole of Hawaii in order to get accommodations and protection for our fleet in Pearl Harbor which is already at our disposal? Must Great Britain annex the whole of Spain in order to hold Gibraltar?

So much for Senator Frye's "cold facts." A candid review of them proves clearly that all the advantages which we are told the annexation of Hawaii would bring us may be had without it. And now we are asked—even without the inducement of an otherwise unobtainable benefit—to incorporate in our political system a foreign country, over two thousand miles distant from our nearest coast, and to smirch our character as a nation by taking it from the hands of a usurping oligarchy put in power by a revolutionary act lawlessly aided by our own officers, and not representing the people; a country the defence of which will require us to maintain large and costly armaments not otherwise necessary; a country with a tropical climate, the principal laboring force in which can never be of Germanic blood, and in which democratic institutions as we understand them can never flourish; a country an overwhelming majority of whose population consists of kanakas, Chinese, Japanese, and Portuguese, with a very slight sprinkling of Americans, Englishmen, and Germans! We are asked to expose ourselves to the chance of that country being made a State of this Union, its population, through their Senators and Representatives, to take part in ruling this republic, and our people; in closely contested Presidential elections, to wait for the returns of the kanaka or Portuguese vote in the back districts of far-away Oahu Island to decide our destinies! We are asked to excite by this annexation the appetite for more aggrandizement, and thus to launch out on an indefinite policy of wild adventure! Truly the "cold facts" of the case cannot be too soberly weighed.—*Harper's Weekly.*

Our "Gold Brick" Guest.

The arrival of Dole has been the signal for the opening of a campaign of slander in behalf of the Great South Sea Swindle. The promoters of that vast raid on the United States Treasury are whispering and insinuating that certain Senators are not all that they ought to be. It is not charged or rather insinuated that these Senators are corrupt or unduly influenced in the matter of the Great Swindle, but simply that in some other matters a long time ago and a long way off they did or said something or other that they ought not to have done or said.

If this is the sort campaign work which Dole hurried here to promote, the Hawaiian oligarch had better have applied his expense money toward paying the interest on those \$4,000,000 of bonds which the annexation treaty would generously permit the American people to pay. Slanders on United States Senators are not arguments for the Great South Sea Swindle. They will not even cover up the now patent lack of argument for that fraud.

There is a code of manners and courtesies for guests that would ordinarily have a restraint upon a foreigner paying a visit to this Government, in which Senators are high officials. But Dole can hardly be called a guest. As well might a farmer give the title of guest to the "con man" who comes to sell him a "gold brick."—*New York World.*

Dole's Self Sacrifice.

The presidency of Hawaii can not be very much of a job, and the country itself scarcely be very much of a country, when its patriotic executive journeys to a foreign capital 6,000 miles in order that he may use his influence to get both off his hands. The spirit of self-sacrifice is not so abundant in this world that the prohibitionists feel impelled to get after it, and there is a robust suspicion abroad that if Mr. Dole had a good thing, he would keep it.—*Binghamton, N. Y., Leader.*

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