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The Coming Siberia

The Siberia is expected soon to arrive in this port. The Siberia is the second of the new fleet of mammoth liners that the Pacific Mail Company is having built for the Oriental trade, and the largest vessel that has ever entered the port of San Francisco. She is 572 feet in length, and measures three tons more than the Korea, which is a sister vessel, and is built upon practically the same lines. The Siberia came from New York in 54 days, which establishes a new record for steamships over this route. The trip through the Straits of Magellan a distance of 318 miles, was made in 22 hours. The Korea broke all previous records in her first round trip on the China run, and is now away on her second trip. On her trial trip the Siberia made 22 knots, which is about 2 knots better than the Korea did, so she is expected to make an even better showing when placed on the regular run. While the Siberia is the largest vessel that will have entered in this port, the largest modern liners are becoming more and more common in these waters, and it will not be many years before the Korea and the Siberia will not be conspicuous on account of their size. In order that these larger vessels may be handled with quickness and economy, the harbor facilities here must be greatly increased, and there is certainly no time to be lost in adjusting the harbor to the newer condition.

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DESIRED REMISSION.

A bill is now before the Legislature, which has passed the Senate and is up to the House to do likewise, seeking the remission of the special tax placed upon malt liquors brewed in this city. The special tax is five cents a gallon. When the brewers' law was passed in 1886, all imported malt liquors were paying a duty of fifteen cents a gallon. It is claimed for and on behalf of the parties directly interested in this remission that since "the annexation of Hawaii," this "duty became inoperative and the continued collection of said special tax . . . imposed an unfair discrimination against local manufacturers and is burdensome and oppressive." Is that so?

Be that as it may, is this party directly interested, the Honolulu Brewing and Malting Co., doing what is right, under its license, to appeal to the Legislature for such remission? We think not. This special tax has not been enforced since annexation, so we are informed by the Treasurer, who, upon being interviewed, said that the Brewery filed a bond with the former Treasurer, pledging to bring this matter before the Legislature, which it has done as seen by this bill. We feel that the Government should have enforced the payment of this tax, and if then deemed "burdensome and oppressive," it has its remedy at law by appealing to the Supreme Court to declare such special tax as being unconstitutional. But no; it saw fit to adopt other tactics by a direct appeal to the law-making body in an attempt "to cut off its nose to spite its face" to curtail the revenue. The Treasurer also said that he would be only too glad to be seen by any legislative committee, and that he would lay his views before the members thereof and produce this bond accepted by his predecessor.

Why remit such a special tax? This corporation, under its license, has the exclusive right to brew malt liquors, and we feel that it should pay extra for the exclusive privilege it has received. We are given to understand that breweries on the Mainland pay such a tax to the Federal Government, and that

the local brewery is doing the same. But as the Honolulu Brewery, in its exclusiveness, has the sole privilege here, it should by all means pay for the same as a bonus on the same level as the Hawaiian Electric Co. As the Territory is in need of revenue, it should rake in all it can get from whatever proper source it may be obtainable.

We would be only too glad to see this special tax remitted and that the Brewery be "relieved and discharged from any liability to pay "further royalty upon its manufacture, yet it gives no assurance that it would reduce its price to consumers. Sure, it has to compete with Mainland breweries, but it has the further advantage of being here on the spot where its product is easily handled and utilized to the disadvantage of competitors, as its "Primo Lager" has gained and is gaining a reputation for purity and wholesomeness. Of course, we believe that all encouragement should be given to any local industry, enterprise and manufacture, and the encouragement, in this case, is the exclusive right and privilege to brew and manufacture malt liquors and the disposal of the same to consumers of "the amber fluid."

But, before any further proceeding is taken by the House, we hope and would suggest that the Treasurer of the Territory may be consulted in the matter, as he has not been by the Senate. As this is a revenue measure, it is in line with the request officially made by him the other day to both branches. We feel sure that he will be able to impart some very valuable information.

MOVING FOR DIVIDENDS

An item of \$13,000 was inserted by the Senate in the Emergency Appropriation Bill, which passed third reading the other day and is now before the House, for widening and straightening the road running through the Kaimuki tract, of Gear, Lansing & Co., to the top of the hill looking towards Waialae. We think this is piling it on to the taxpayers to pay for something that will benefit two or three private corporations largely interested, as well as a few individuals. The corporations are the Honolulu Rapid Transit and Land Co., for whose especial benefit the road is to be made, Gear, Lansing & Co., and the Palolo Land Improvement Co., A. Frank Cooke, manager; all combines that own and control large tracts of land parcelled out in small residence sites; and the individuals, Senator Isenberg, Representative Long, some natives, and about two dozens, more or less, of people who have homestead holdings bought from these corporate real estate dealers. Why is it an emergency? Is it because the Rapid Transit people see another avenue for reaping a harvest whereby their earnings may be increased? A certain Senator told us that, because of the many (?) poor people living in these localities, was the reason for his voting for the insertion of the item. Had there been hundreds of people living out that way, there might have been some justification for it; but, as there are only a few, and a very few at that, we feel that the people's money is being misplaced. Surely, the land dealers and the rapid scoopers, added by a Senator and a Representative, are the ones to be largely benefited. We don't think that the people's money should be squandered in such a way for the benefit of private parties and corporations. An-

other course is to give the money, never mind the taxpayers, and then all would be swimmingly nice and proper. To Hades with the rest—these are the people!

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Another big steal on; this time from the region of those who have "an eye open," with the motto, "Supreme Court, Territory of Hawaii." The forgeries of "The Independent" are focused and with mighty good telepathic power.

Too much talk has been indulged in by the House over the printing, proof-reading and translating of bills, thereby arousing much unnecessary ill-temper. Better cut it short and proceed to earnest business "kids." Decide and be done with it for once and for all.

With all the liquor bills before the Republican Legislature, we wonder why the Anti-Saloon League is not heard these days. Has it been suppressed into submission? We wonder! Or is it likely yet to turn "right about face" and show fight? We again wonder.

Senator Paris the other day introduced a resolution in the Senate asking for an appropriation of \$77,500 for road purposes in the Districts of North and South Kona, Hawaii. Yet, both the Kona's together only turn in a little more than \$30,000 in taxes. Isn't this piling on agony? Of course it is, when their returns are mere fractional parts of the total amount of taxes received, and they ask more than double what they pay in to the treasury. The presumption is great; the "gall" greater!

Senator Achi left the Senate Chamber on Saturday with the "sulks." He may have good reason for doing so, but it is not admirable, although from the look of things in the upper house, he is being turned down by those of his party friends, and serve him dashed well, too. However, in this case, he may have had just cause. Having fathered the Bond Issue bill for the payment of Fire Claims, the same has been held up in the branch of which he is a member and had not been transmitted to the House for its concurrence although promised last Friday. The bill came before the House this morning.

On Friday last Senator Achi attempted to foist a practically new bill as an amendment to his Bond Issue bill, but it was ruled that it was a new bill. He appealed from this ruling and the Chair was sustained. In order not to hurt the feelings of the little aggressive Senator, it was referred to the Ways and Means Committee, who reported in the afternoon recommending practically the same amendments as proposed by the Senator, which was finally adopted as amended and passed third reading. There are more "ways and means" to kill a cat, and which applies to "rules" of being in, and out, of order. Senator Cecil Brown, the parliamentary authority of that conservative body, sustained the Chair, but in the latter instance both Brown and the Chair were dumped in Achi's favor, although they were right in their course of procedure and practice. Had the amendments not been adopted, that most necessary and urgent bill would have been delayed more than a week.

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6	Alameda	San Francisco
10	Nippon Maru	San Francisco
10	America Maru	Japan, China
11	Moana	Australia
14	Aorangi	Victoria, B.C.
17	Ventura	Australia
18	Sonoma	San Francisco
18	Siberia	San Francisco
20	Korea	Japan, China
21	Nevadan	San Francisco
26	Coptic	San Francisco
27	Alameda	San Francisco
28	Gaelic	Japan, China

TO SAIL

Date	Steamer	For
Mar. 10	Nippon Maru	Japan, China
10	America Maru	San Francisco
11	Alameda	San Francisco
11	Moana	Victoria, B.C.
14	Nebraska	San Francisco
14	Aorangi	Australia
17	Ventura	San Francisco
18	Sonoma	Australia
18	Siberia	Japan, China
20	Korea	San Francisco
26	Korea	Japan, China
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LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

The Independent 50 cents per month.

The Soas of St George will meet tonight in San Antonio Hall.

The band gave an open air concert at the Capitol grounds this morning.

There were many city visitors to the Moana hotel yesterday to view the rehabilitated peacock.

The steamer Nippon Maru arrived about noon from San Francisco, with dates to the 4th instant.

Albert Kuniaka a well known Hawaiian is reported to be very ill at his home, with little hope of recovery.

Judge Wilcox has partly recovered from his indisposition but still suffers from, presumably, indigestion.

The steamer America Maru arrived this morning from the Orient. The Janet Waldorf company were on board.

The Inter-Island steamers on the Kauai route are bringing in many thousand bags of the saccharine products from the "Garden" island.

The Sunday laws are being opened out more; house parties on Tantalus being the latest in vogue; the society; and this during Lent, two.

The fishmarket band concerts are not regarded by the stall-keepers as an aid, but rather as a detriment to business there, on account of the noise, not music.

The band concert at Makee island yesterday had a large audience, and quite a number of guests from the, now crowded, Moana hotel, paid a visit to the scene.

The Band will play at Emma square this evening. There is one new piece on the program, viz: a march, by De Witt, entitled the "Monogram Girl."

James A Blount, well known in connection with the revolutionary affairs, as representative of the United States in the attempt to right a great wrong, is dead.

News from Kauai of yesterday shows the following sugar awaiting shipment: Kekaha, 2500 bgs; McBryde, 6,000; Kilauea, 1000; Makee, 4,658; Koloa, 1,800; Grove Farm, 1,000; Lihue, 1,800; Gay & Robinson, 1,250.

By order of the Superintendent of Public Works, work was suspended on Saturday on the various public works about the city, in consequence of which over 100 laborers are out of employment. This is to press the passage of the Emergency Bill now before the Legislature.

At Pualani, Waikiki home of Prince Cupid, many legislators and private citizens viewed the workings of the Automatic Telephone system. It seems easy, simple, and adaptable for use here. This is the new system that the Standard Telephone Co (incorporated) is applying to the Legislature for a franchise. The only objection is that there are too many Hello "girls", not Hello "girls."

Japanese Suicide

Mitani a Japanese saki drinker, and who has often been "placed below" in the police station for overindulgence was arrested on Saturday evening for drunkenness and put in a cell. On Sunday morning he used such money as he with him thirty-five cents, to buy some food. In the afternoon or a little past 2 he went into a bath-room closed the door took his waist scarf connected it to a waste pipe and to his neck and then shut off his mortal coil. A prison official looking up his stay in the bath room entering and finding the Japanese lifeless but yet warm. A jury passed upon the circumstances giving a verdict of determined suicide and no blame attaching to the turnkey or other prison officials.

THE LEGISLATURE.

Second Session of the Territorial Law Making Body of 1903

THE SENATE--SEVENTEENTH DAY.

After usual routine business was disposed of, Eli J. Crawford was appointed to be temporary interpreter. Various petitions, resolutions, reports and bills introduced came on and were disposed of in the regular order. Cecil Brown, from the County Bill committee, asked for five days' further time. Granted. Bill 83, the Appropriation Bill, came up on second reading; also Bill 32, relating to the appointment of a Commission to compile the statute laws, passed second reading, third reading tomorrow.

THE HOUSE--SEVENTEENTH DAY.

Recess to 2 p. m. The usual routine business was attended to and disposed of. A communication from the Senate transmitting four bills, viz: No. 6--Bond Issue for Payment of Fire Claims; 14, amending section 1, Act 68, 1896; 29, to provide for Public Loans, and 76, to amend section 42, chapter 44, 1880. All passed first reading.

Kellinof presented a petition from 17 voters of Kaaupali, praying that Waluku be the county seat for Maui. Also another from Walluku residents recommending certain amendments to the County Bill, among which is the control of schools. Referred, Committee of the Whole.

Lewis, from Hilo residents, praying for the relief of Antone G. Serrao.

Wright, from "Hawaii Herald" Publishing Co., asking that all job printing for County of East Hawaii should and can be done by a printing firm in Hilo.

Lewis, asking for \$14,000 for the support of the Hilo Band.

Kupieha, a petition from residents of the leper settlement for many needed wants. To Health.

Kumalae, of the special committee on Chinese Fund, reported progress and asked for further time. He said that the committee was meeting at 9 o'clock every morning and that many facts are coming forth which will eventually be very interesting.

Kellinof moved the following: "Be It Resolved, by the House of Representatives, That on and after March 9, 1903, and continually from day to day until disposed of, the consideration of the County Bill shall be the business of the 'order of the Day.'" Moved adoption, supported by Chillingworth, Kupieha, Fernandez and Vida. Kaniho moved indefinite postponement. Resolution adopted.

Chillingworth, resolution that translators employed by the Printing Committee be paid at such rates as may have been agreed upon. Adopted.

Paele, asked for an appropriation for water pipes and electric lights for Punalu, Honolulu.

Aylett, that 15 cents a folio be paid for transcribing the minutes of the House. Adopted.

Wright, "that further appropriation of subsidy to the Oahu Railway and Land Co. be made only on the condition that said company employ citizen labor." To Judiciary; report in ten days.

Vida, another resolution "that the Superintendent of Public Works be, and is hereby requested, to furnish House with a comparative annual statement since 1888, of the amount of revenue derived from wharfage by the Government and the Oahu Railway and Land Co., assuming that said company has charged Governmental charges." Adopted. He also introduced bills and gave notice of intention to introduce an Opium Bill, to license its sale.

Kupieha, \$10,000 for 10-inch water main pipes and hydrants for Queen street extension in Fifth District. Public Lands. Also \$5000 for electric lights out Kalihii way, to same committee.

Pulaa, \$3000, subsidy for a steamer between Kohala, Kona and Kau. To Miscellaneous.

Wright gave notice of a bill to encourage the coffee industry.

Other resolutions, notices and bills were presented and considered.

Fernandez, from Printing Committee, reported several bills printed.

On motion the Order of the Day was taken up. The first matter being Kellinof's resolution to amend Rule 29, to increase the membership of the Public Lands Committee to seven.

Fernandez said that he came to work and not to shirk duty, and therefore, he would not do as wanted by Harris to resign from any committee.

The resolution was adopted.

Hala and Kalama were appointed on such committee.

Second reading of various House bills came on. Referred to various committees, as also several Senate bills passed first and second readings. House bill 12, for postage stamps for lepers, on suspension of the rules, passed second reading. Senate Bill 18 was referred to the Printing Committee.

Wright created a pleasantry by mov-

ing to refer House Bill 46, relating to the felonious branding of cattle, to the Health Committee.

Chillingworth said that he could not see why it should be so referred. No notice was taken of this motion, as it was not seconded. Recess to 2 p. m.

Islands News.

(FROM THE HAWAII HERALD.)

The annual election of officers of Hilo lodge B P O E, No. 739 will be held on March 23, inst.

The big freighter Texan will get away for Delaware Breakwater this morning with a full cargo. She takes 3600 tons of sugar from Hilo.

Judge Little has granted Funakahi and Wataoabe an additional thirty days in which to perfect their appeal to the Supreme Court for a new trial.

Mrs Clark Smith of Spokane who is visiting her sister, Mrs L S Aurgst in Kona, will leave for the States by the Korea on the 20th.

(FROM THE HILO TRIBUNE.)

John T Baker goes to Honolulu by the Kieau and will probably prod the Legislature into livelier action.

The extension of the railroad up town is now a matter of a very short time. The bridges for Waikae river have arrived.

The Hilo Mercantile Company has chartered the schooner Julia Whalen and will use her in transporting a large shipment of lumber and general merchandise to Punaluu.

Chas M LeBlond, N Ohaia and Dr F J Gardner were guests at the Volcano House Wednesday and Thursday. Dr Gardner visited the crater of Kilauea Wednesday night and was favored with the first glimpse of fire that has been seen in Hala-maunau since November.

(FROM THE MAUI NEWS)

Korean labor on the plantation is proving satisfactory so far, and a large immigration of this class of labor may be expected.

W Robb has succeeded Chas Dudoit as manager of Kaalapali landing.

It is not too soon to look forward to the time when rapid electric transit will bring East and West Maui into neighborly and harmonious relations.

The season's run at Huelo Mill has closed with a total of 800 tons of sugar. Huelo Plantation is now in fine shape, and will turn out a big crop next year.

The Janet Waldorf Company

Miss Janet Waldorf, the talented young American actress, and her company are expected to arrive today by the America Maru from Yokohama, the season commences at the Opera House, tomorrow, Tuesday evening with the successful Comedy "Sweet Nell of Old Drury." The sterling merits of this popular play are well known and the booking has been all that could be desired. The company comes with an excellent reputation and is reported by the papers to be deserving of every support. Judging the interest taken, their season promises to be a success. The plan of seats is at Messrs Wall Nichols Co and the price of tickets is as usual.

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Rome, Feb 27—While there are no grounds for the rumor that Pope Leo is dangerous ill, the fact remains that the aged pontiff is quite sick of a severe cold.

Colima, (Mex.), Feb 27—The volcano to-day poured forth a quantity of white-hot matter, but there was no outflow of lava until late at night, when great quantities rushed down the sides of the volcano. Earthquakes are reported at Acapulco, Chilpanigo and Aguilaue.

Vancouver (B C), Feb 27—A peculiar postal robbery has just come to light. A registered mail sack containing at least \$1,000 in bank bills, besides documents of value, was opened, the contents abstracted, the sack locked up again and the thief escaped, leaving no clew.

Washington, Feb 27 M Jusserand, the French Ambassador, and Herbert W Bowen, the Venezuelan plenipotentiary, signed a protocol this afternoon for the settlement of the French claims against Venezuela by a joint commission to meet at Caracas, and for the reference to The Hague tribunal of the contention of the allied powers for preferential treatment in the satisfaction of the demands.

Pekin, Feb 27—Advices received here to-day show that 500 imperial troops were caught February 13th in an ambush in the Yang Yung pass by the rebels of the province of Kwang Si, South China. All the soldiers were killed and the rebels captured large supplies of arms which the troops were taking to the besieged garrison of Chi Yuen. The official reports admit that the rebellion in Kwang Si is increasing and has spread over the border into the province of Hu Nan. The Viceroy of Hu Nan has sent troops to the boundary to check the rebels' advance.

San Francisco, Feb 28—Captain W Woodus Greene, master of the crack Japanese liner Nippon Maru, has reported to the police that he was chloroformed and robbed while asleep in his room in the California Hotel last Thursday night. The captain's losses include a gold watch and chain valued at \$500 and \$85 in coin. The burglar gained entrance to Captain Greene's room through the window, which opens upon the fire escape. After reducing his victim to a state of insensibility, the burglar gathered up all the valuables in sight and slipped out through the window.

Edding, Feb 27—Because a typewriter absent-mindedly wrote 1903 instead of 1902 in copying a legal document and because the careless proof reader failed to notice the blunder, Shasta county will be put to several hundred dollars extra expense and a murder trial will be delayed more than a month.

Buffalo, Feb 27—With his skull crushed in, two fingers on his left hand broken, evidently trying to ward off the blows of his assailant, and other injuries on his body, Edwin L Burdick, the wealthy president of the E L Burdick Company, the Buffalo Envelope Company and a publishing concern, was found murdered to-day in the smoking-room of his handsome residence, 101 North Ashland avenue.

San Francisco, Feb 27—With disabled engines the Pacific Coast steamship Pomona drifted out to sea to-day with a large number of passengers on board. For one hour the vessel was at the mercy of the swiftly running tide and was swept south of the Cliff House before the break in her machinery was repaired.

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