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A great man is made up of qualities that meet or make great occasions.—Lowell.

MEXICAN OUTRAGES

Hawaii is just getting the echoes of a sensation sprung in the United States senate two weeks ago, when Fall of New Mexico charged in a ringing speech that Mexico's outrages upon American life and American property have gone beyond the last point of tolerance.

The New Mexico senator goes on with detailed facts and figures that are incontrovertible. Heretofore, the somewhat meager information reaching Hawaii has been that the stories of Mexico's ruthless disregard of American citizens were exaggerated.

"DAGO RED" REGULATION

An illuminating remark, made to the Star-Bulletin by a man of this city who is in the liquor business, lights up the problem of stamping out the "dago red" evil more clearly than a page of argument.

"All kinds of 'young' wines were being brought here," said this man frankly, "and I went to my company on the mainland and said that as we couldn't very well lower our prices, the way to meet the competition was to raise the age-limit on our wines.

No better proof could be brought forth of the necessity for regulating the age of the wines to prevent the importation of this dangerous stuff. When winemen themselves admit that the "young" wines are dangerous and should not be imported, there is no need of argument.

While the license commissioners and the inspector are turning their attention to the importation of "dago red," they may well investigate the wines made in the islands. If the age-limit is to be fixed on imported wines, it should be fixed on domestic manufactures also.

LET'S HAVE THE IDEAS

Chief of Detectives McDuffie is back from his trip to the coast, reported as carrying twelve pounds additional weight and all the latest devices for nabbing burglars, pickpockets, second-story workers, phony-dice sharks and the rest of the light-fingered and light-footed gentry who live off their wits and other folks' carelessness.

Nobody will protest at the introduction of new-fangled methods in the local police department, particularly in the detective service, provided it gets results. The detective branch of the local police force can afford ideas. For some months past there has been either an epidemic of petty thievery and burglaries or else an uncovering of an epidemic of much longer existence.

McDuffie's plan for introducing scientific devices into the police department here is a good one. However, there is no particular use in having

ing a finger-print system unless the police can catch the owners of the fingers.

GRAND OPERA FOR HONOLULU

Announcement of the plans to bring grand opera to Honolulu augurs a wonderful step forward musically for Hawaii.

An experienced theatrical man, believing that the culture, the progress, the generous wealth of this city will encourage a venture of such really great proportions, is working on plans to secure one of two companies, preferably the Lambardi Grand Opera company, for a season of several weeks' duration.

Honolulu can well afford to give this guarantee, not only for the splendid musical entertainment that will be furnished, not only for the residents of the city, but for the definite and profitable attraction it will furnish for tourists.

It is the plan to bring the company here during the height of the tourist season. The fact that a grand opera company, numbering scores of principals, is to be taken on such a tour will be of enough news value for considerable notice throughout the country, and every theatrical page in the country will feature it.

Outside of this somewhat selfish view, there is the opportunity to bring to the islands grand opera of the first order of merit. The Lambardi Opera company has made a big success in the last few years, during which it has been almost constantly on tour and has played in all-but the largest cities.

The promoters have no idea of reaping a financial harvest. They feel that they will be repaid if they break even. The question is, is Honolulu ready to back public-spiritedly a movement that is larger than mere theatrical enterprise, that will contribute materially to advance along the lines of culture and refinement, while furnishing amusement of the highest order to many thousands of people?

The Star-Bulletin believes that this movement for grand opera can and should be encouraged by every moral and financial support. It will bring dividends in other things than dollars.

Federal Judge Hanford of Washington has resigned and the impeachment proceedings brought against him will be dropped. This ought to be a tip for Archbald, against whom twice as much evidence has already been gathered. Hanford was a remarkably astute judge and his record for industry and steady application extending over a score of years on the bench is amazing.

Let's hope that C. G. Bartlett, if elected supervisor, will be as successful in getting paving laid on the streets at the expense of the county as he is now in getting it laid on a macadam roadway to his private residence.

"A bird in the hand is worth two flectin' by" is the comment of a Scotch reader of the Star-Bulletin upon the news that Gov. Wilson will not resign from his present job until he's elected president.

The steady stream of tourists this summer is but a forecast of the swelling tide coming this way. Realization of this should awaken Honolulu to the responsibilities of caring for her visitors.

Chief of Detectives McDuffie wants to put a finger-print system into police use here. Better stick to the heel-prints, Mac; they're larger and easier to find.

"This is so sudden," murmured the blushing Mr. Roosevelt as they handed him the nomination at the notable social function in Chicago.

That much-discussed wool bill is hardly a case of tempering the shorn wind to the lamb.

The fingerprint of the criminal and the clutch of the law should go hand in hand.

Now that "Soapbox" Barron is back, the fall campaign can start.

LITTLE INTERVIEWS

L. D. TIMMONS—Wilson is going to be elected—that's all I learned of the situation on the coast.

JOHN DITCH—Hilo district had rain on Saturday. They have plenty of water on the plantations there now.

CHIEF McDUFFIE—The apparatus which goes with the fingerprint measurement system did not come on the Ventura as I expected and will probably not be here for another week or so now.

REV. FRANK GOODSPEED—I hope next Sunday's attendance at the union evangelical service in the Bijou theater will be as good as it was last Sunday.

C. A. COTTRILL—Wish I could be in the east these days. There are three big gatherings of my people there, conventions that I haven't missed for years.

R. P. FAITHFUL—it is good to get back to Honolulu again. No, I didn't get married while I was away, but thought it would be better to wait until I returned to Honolulu and then look over all the eligible young ladies very carefully before choosing.

GEORGE W. PATY—I don't think that they will confiscate all that wine that Plas had in his possession when he was arrested. On account of the size of the catch, it is more likely they will make him ship it out of the city.

E. B. BLANCHARD—The wall of the Portuguese concerning my home-steading on Maui is not well founded. I have a year in which to move onto my little seven-acre tract and the law will be complied with.

ALEXANDER YOUNG—Certainly the poles on the makai side of Kalakaua avenue between the Queen's place and Makee Island, should come down. This spot is the only place in Honolulu where "breaking" ocean water is touched by a public driveway and the view should not be spoiled by the ugly poles.

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PERSONALITIES

R. W. BRECKONS returned from Hilo this morning.

MRS. C. S. CARLSMITH of Hilo will be a departing passenger on the Lurline tonight.

W. P. BETH, stock broker, will leave for the Philippines in November to look into sugar matters there.

C. J. HUTCHINS may be detained here on business a few days and therefore be unable to leave for the Coast with his family on Friday.

INTERNAL REVENUE COLLECTOR COTTRILL leaves tomorrow for Maui, where he will meet his family and then go to Hilo for a week or tea days.

PAUL R. BARTLETT, of the Yale law school and brother of Charles Bartlett of Honolulu has been elected a member of the board of editors of the Yale Law Journal.

R. P. FAITHFUL returned to Honolulu this morning and will devote his attention to preparing for the opening of the new Sweetshop store on Fort street.

MISS COOK arrived by the Ventura yesterday. She will take charge of the trimming department of Jordan's millinery emporium. She is considered an expert along that line.

MR. L. D. TIMMONS was among the returning passengers by the Wilhelmina this morning. Mr. Timmons went to the Coast on business which he reports has had favorable results.

MR. AND MRS. JACK HAWES were passengers in the Kilauca from Hawaii yesterday morning. They have returned to Honolulu to live, and are at present at the Royal Hawaiian Hotel.

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