

Rough Trip To Molokai

Deputy County Attorney Got Good
Shaking Up—Boat Swept
Down Coast.

Deputy County Attorney Vincent, Father Thomas and Judge Kalua, have returned from a trip to Molokai. The lawyer and the judge went over to try a couple of cases at the Pukoo court. The sea was very rough and the wind was blowing a gale.

"We had a tough time," said Vincent, "and when we attempted to get ashore we found that the boat was simply taken in charge by the wind and blown down along the coast. There was no chance of making the landing, and the ships boat was quickly blown about half a mile. We had to land on the beach, and at that the crew had to pack us ashore on their backs. It was a ticklish job and the waves were very rough.

Crossing the channel the sea was rough, and the wind bore down on the steamer like a hurricane. It was the worst blow I ever was in, and several other seasoned travelers said the same thing."

The cases to be tried on Molokai were only trivial ones, and were soon disposed of. Two young men were found guilty of stealing pigs and were fined \$10 each. Another youth, who had stricken a playmate with a stone, was discharged from custody as he proved that he only returned a "brick" that the other lad had thrown at him.

Things are looking well on Molokai at present, and the ranchers are doing well. Pigs are thriving, and the trade is growing rapidly. Still, Mr. Vincent and Judge Kalua do not want to have another trip of the same kind for many a long day to come.

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California alleged wife. He is not in jail but is living with the Portuguese end of the family making occasional calls on the Hawaiian girl to protest innocence and loyalty at the same time ask for assistance in his trouble. I believe the federal authorities have hold of the string attached to the case, so that the Hawaiian girl will get justice she is not seeking; she does not ask for because she loves the man who ruined her life. To the credit of Manager Ballentyne be it said the man is no longer collector on the Rapid Transit cars.

SOLDIERS GOOD.

But reverting to the soldiers. Morally those we have here are as good as the average men who do not wear a uniform of any description. When all is said and done perhaps they are better than those who do not wear uniforms, for the army is strict in its acceptance of men for service. I was talking with an officer the other day and learned that only twenty seven per cent of the enlisted men are accepted by the original enlistment officers, and when they come up for the second test four percent of the original hundred are rejected for one reason or another. A man who may have served one or two, or even more, enlistments and who comes back after the usual allowance of time between enlistments, may get loaded two or three times before he is relieved and discharged for physical disability not acquired in the service. So he is not entitled to a pension and cannot get back into the army. Occasionally a bad'un gets through, and brings odium on all others and because these are only occasional the rest object to being classed as disregarding any moral code. I was in the Liberty Theatre Saturday night when possibly one hundred soldiers were a part of the audience and they were as well behaved as the best class of people there, and better than many. They were not loud or boisterous; not given to balling out a player with

whom they were not in harmony, and applauded what they believed good, or what suited their fancy, just as any other gentleman would.

NEARLY ROUGH HOUSE.

Over in the Bijou, where a prize fight was going on to the amusement of an audience that packed the place to the doors, there was pretty near a rough house and a case of mob law by the soldiers because in the judgment of the referee the civilian was a better man, or scored more points than the soldier. The scene was regarded as the worst showing genuine sports could produce. From what I have seen of the referee in times past he did what he believed was best for he had no axe to grind, nothing to win or lose by the decision, and would not have given the fight to Madison if he had not thought him entitled to it. It is said that many of the soldiers were soused which shows the difference it makes in men; tastes will take one soldier in one direction or another. For myself I would as quick take chances on the friendship of a man in khaki as one in blue.

BETTING AND THEFT.

The case of Solomon Koki, who for years and years has been a clerk for Hall and Son, and Elisha Andrews, an employe of the same firm should be a lesson for the average man who betson any proposition. These young fellows hued themselves to steal leather from the firm and sell it. At this moment only one purchaser is believed to be a fence for every other man who bought the leather paid regular prices, and did a legitimate business believing everything in proper form. It is supposed that eight hundred dollars worth of material is lost to the firm; some of it may be recovered. The plan was to sell the leather and engage an expressman to deliver the goods at a place where a boy would meet them and direct the driver to a store. The expressman was paid at the time and Koki reported that the buyer had paid for delivery. But as is the case with all crooked work there was one time when a thread was left sticking out, a thread that led to the discovery that these men had been stealing. When William Chun Hoon, who has been with the firm for thirty two years was checking a delivery bill he came across an item for which he did not remember a charge or sale tag. Calling the attention of Andrews to the matter he was informed that it was a mistake and that the delivery had been paid for at the time. He took the bill to the Union Pacific Express office paid the dollar charge and secured another bill with this item omitted. But it did not satisfy William and a few days later he mentioned the matter to Mr. Paris who went across to the express office and questioned them there. He learned that Andrews had paid the dollar when he asked for the bill. Closer investigation brought out the fact that once again Koki, who had been caught in crooked work a few years before, was mixed in this deal and when sufficient evidence had been obtained by Paris the man who had handled the leather and several of those who had bought it, were haled into the police station and Koki sent for. When he arrived and saw the array of evidence against him, he confessed and turned against Andrews, who was later invited into the office of the county attorney where he too squealed. Both men pleaded guilty and Koki as the leader of the hui, was given a year and Andrews nine months. They had tried to get another employe, Kane, to join but he refused because he cared not to lose his job, nor did he wish to be sent to jail. Koki has been a leader in a betting ring at all ball games this season, sometimes having as much a six hundred dollars on the game and, it is said, he was instrumental in the selling of games after the team had got so far along that there seemed no chance of defeat. Detection follows the theory of the great Burns that no crime is committed without leaving something that will lead to the detection of the criminal.

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