A GALE IN THE CHANNEL.

BY CHARLES J. PETERSON.

It was a sunny day in the winter of 183–, that we dropped down the Mersey, and took our leave of Liverpool. Our vessel was a new ship of seven hundred tons; and as she spread, one after another, her folds of white canvass to the breeze, I thought I had never seen a more beautiful sight. The scene around was lively and inspiriting. Innumerable craft of all sizes covered the waters far and near; here a large merchantmen moving like a stately swan, there a light yatch skimming along with the swiftness of a swallow. The sunlight sparkled and danced on the billows; the receding coast grew more picturesque as we left it astern; and the blue expanse of the Irish channel stretched away in front, until lost in a thin haze in the opposite horizon.

I had been reading below for several hours, but towards nightfall went on deck again. How I started at the change! It was yet an hour to sunset, but the luminary of day was already in a thick bank of clouds, that lay stretched ominously along the western seaboard. The wind had increased to a smart gale and was laden with moisture. The billows increased in size every minute, and were whitening with foam far and near. Occasionally as a roller struck the ship's bows, the white spray flew crackling over the forecastle, and sometimes even shot into the top; on these occasions, a foreboding melancholy sound, like the groan of some huge animal in pain, issued from the thousand timbers of the vessel. Already in anticipation of the rising tempest, the canvass had been reduced, and we were now heading to the Irish coast under reefed topsails, courses, a spanker, and jib.

"A rough night in prospect, Jack!" said I, addressing an old tar beside me.

"You may well say that, sir," he replied. "It's bad on the Norway coast in December, and bad going into Sandy Hook in a snow-storm; but both are nothing to a gale in the channel, here," he added, as a sudden whirl in the tempest covered us with spray.

"I wish we had more sea-room," I answered musingly.

"Ay, I'd give the wages of the voyage if we had. How happy you all seemed in the cabin, sir, the ladies especially, an hour or two ago—I suppose it was because we were going home—ah! little did any of us think," he added with a seriousness, and in a language uncommon for a sailor, "that we might be bound to another, and a last home, which we should behold first."

At this moment the captain shouted to shorten sail, and our conversation was of necessity cut short. The ship, I ought to have said, had been laid close to the wind, in order to claw off the English coast, to which we were in dangerous propinquity; and as the gale increased, the heavy press of canvass forcing her down into the water, she struggled and strained frightfully. While the crew were at work I walked forward. The billows, now increased to a gigantic size, came rolling down upon us one after another, with such rapidity that our good craft could scarcely recover from one before another was upon her. Each time she struck a head-sea she would stagger an instant, quivering in every timber, while the crest of the shattered wave would shoot to the foretop like the jet of a fountain; then the vast surge sinking beneath her, she would settle groaning into the trough of the sea, until another billow lifted her, another surge thundered against her bows, another shower of foam flew over her. Now and then when a more colossal wave than usual was seen approaching, the cry, "hold on, all," rang warningly across the decks. At such times the vast billow would approach, its head towering in the gathered twilight, until it threatened to engulf us; but just when all seemed over, our gallant ship would spring forward to meet it like a steed started by the spur, and the mountain of waters would break over and around us, hissing, roaring and flashing by, and then sinking into the apparently bottomless gulf beneath us.

Meanwhile the decks were resounding with the tread of the sailors, as they hurried to and fro in obedience to the captain's oders; while the rattling of blocks, the shouts of command, and the quick replies of the seamen, rose over the uproar of the storm.

"Let go bowlines," cried the stentorian voice of the captain, "ease off the tack—haul on the weather-braces."

Away went the huge sail in obedience to the order.

"Ease off the sheet—haul up to lee!"

The crew redoubled their quickness; and soon the immense courses were stowed. In a few minutes the ship's canvass was reduced to reefed topsails, spanker, and fore-topmast staysail. By this time evening had set in, though the long twilight of that latitude prolonged a sickly radiance.

But even this contraction of sail was not sufficient. The thick duck tugged at the yards, as if they would snap them in two. Every moment I expected to see the spanker go.

"We must take in that sail," said the captain finally, "or she will tear herself to pieces. All hands in with the spanker."

In an instant the men were struggling with the huge sheet of canvass; and never before had I been so forcibly impressed with the power and usefulness of discipline. In an incredible short interval the gigantic sail, notwithstanding its struggles, was got under control, and stowed.

The ship now labored less for awhile, but as the storm increased she groaned and struggled as before. The captain saw it would not do to carry even the little sail now remaining, for under the tremendous strain, the canvass might be continually expected to be blown from the bolt ropes. And our sole hope lay in crowding every stitch, in order to claw off the English coast! The sailor will understand this at a word, but to the landsmen it may require explanation.

Our danger, then, consisted in having insufficient sea-room. If we had been on the broad Atlantic, with a hundred or two miles of ocean all around us, we could have lain-to under some bit of a head sail, or fore-top mast stay-sail for instance, or a refeed foresail. But when a vessel lies-to, or in other words, faces the quarter whence the wind comes, with only enough canvass on her to steer her by, she necessarily drifts considerably, and in a line of motion diagonal to her keel. This is called making lee-way. Most ships when lying-to in a drifts gale very rapidly, sometimes hundreds of miles if the tempest is protracted. It is for this reason that a vessel in a narrow channel dares not lie-to, for a few miles of lee-way, would wreck her on the neighboring coast. The only resource, in such cases is to carry a press of sail, and head in the direction in which the wind comes, but not near so close to it as lying-to. This is called clawing off a lee-shore. A constant struggle is maintained between the waves, which set the vessel in the same track they are going themselves, and the wind which urges her on the opposite course. If the canvass holds, and the ship is not too close to the shore under her lee, she escapes; if the sails part she drives upon the fatal coast before new ones can be got up and bent. Frequently in such cases the struggle is protracted for hours. It is a noble, yet harrowing spectacle to see a gallant vessel thus contending for life as if an animated creature, breasting surge after surge, too often in vain, panting, trembling, and battling to the very last.

The captain did not appear satisfied with taking in the spanker; indeed, all feared that the ship could not carry what sail was left. Accordingly he ordered the topsails to be close-reefed. Yet even after this the vessel tore through the waters as if every moment she would jerk her masts out. The wind had now increased to a perfect hurricane. It shrieked, howled and roared around as if a thousand fiends were abroad on the blast.

In moments of extreme peril strong natures gather together, as if by some secret instinct. It was in this way that the captain suddenly found himself near the old topman with whom I had been conversing in the early part of the evening, and who it appeared was one of the oldest and best seamen in the ship.

The captain stood by the man's side a full minute without speaking, looking at the wild waves, that like hungry wolves, came trooping down toward us.

"How far are we from the coast?" he said at last.

"Perhaps five miles; perhaps three, sir," quietly replied the man.

"And we have no long run to make before we get sea-room," replied the captain.

"We shall all be in eternity before morning," replied the man solemnly.

The captain paused a moment, when he replied,

"Our only hope is in the topsail clews—if they give way we are indeed lost—God help us!"

"Amen," I answered involuntarily.

Silence now ensued, though none of us changed our positions. For myself, I was occupied in thinking of the female passengers so soon, perhaps, to be the prey of the wild waters. Every moment it seemed as if the topsails would give way, she strained so frightfully. It was impossible to stand up if exposed to the full force of the gale. So we sheltered ourselves in the waist as we best could. The wind as well as spray, however, reached us even here, though in diminished violence, the latter stinging the face like shot thrown against it. It seemed to me each minute as if we made more lee way. At last after half an hour's suspense, I heard the surf breaking with a noise like thunder on the iron bound coast to the eastward. Again and again I listened, and each time the awful sound became more and more distinct.

I did not mention my fears, however, for I still thought I might be mistaken. Suddenly the captain looked up.

"Hark!" he said.

He stood with his finger raised in the attitude of one listening intently, his eyes fixed on the face of the old sailor.

"It is the sound of breakers," said the seamen.

"Breakers on the lee-quarter!" cried the look-out, at this instant his hoarse voice sounding ominously through the night.

"Breakers on the lee-beam!" answered another.

"Breakers on the lee-bow!" echoed a third.

All eyes peered immediately into the darkness. A long line of foam was plainly visible skirting quite round the horizon to leeward.

"God have mercy on our souls!" I involuntarily ejaculated.

The captain sprang to the wheel, his eyes flashing, and his whole frame dilated—for he had taken a sudden and desperate resolution. He saw that if no efforts were made we should be amongst the breakers in twenty minutes; but if the main-sail could be set, and made to hold for half an hour, we might yet escape. There were nine chances to one the sail would split the instant it was spread, and in a less terrible extremity he would have shrunk from the experiment; but it was now our only hope.

"Keep her to it!" he shouted, "keep her well up. All hands to set the main course!"

Fortunately we were strong handed, so that it was not necessary to carry the tack to the windlass, notwithstanding the gale. A portion of the crew sprang to man this important rope; the remainder hurried up the rigging, almost disappearing in the gloom overhead.

In less than a minute the huge sail fell like a gigantic puff of white smoke blown from the top. It struggled and whipped terribly, but the good ropes held fast.

"Brace up the yard—haul out the bowline!" thundered the captain.

"Ay, ay, sir!" and it was done.

"Haul aft!"

The men ran aft with the line, and the immense sheet came to its place.

This was the critical moment. The ship feeling the additional propulsion made an headlong plunge. I held my breath. I expected nothing else than to see the heavy duck blown from the yard like a gossamer; but the strong fabric held fast, though straining awfully.

"She comes up, do'nt she?" interrogated the captain of the man at the helm.

"Ay, ay, sir—she does!"

"How much?"

"Two points, sir!"

"If she holds for half an hour," ejaculated the captain: "we may yet be saved!"

On rushed the noble ship, seeming to know how much depended on her. She met the billows, she rose above them, she struggled preseveringly forward. In five minutes the breakers were visibly receding.

But hope had been given only to delude us. Suddenly I heard a crack sharper than an explosion of thunder, and simultaneously the course parted from its fastenings, and sailed away to leeward, like a white cloud driven down the gale.

A cry of horror rose from all. "It is over!" I cried; and I looked around for a plank, intending to lash myself to it, in anticipation of the moment of striking.

When the course went overboard the head of the ship fell off immediately: and now the wild breakers tumbled and roared closer at hand each mometn.

Suddenly the captain seized my arm, for we were holding on almost side by side.

"Ha!" he cried, "is not that dark water yonder?" and he pointed across our lee-bow.

I looked in the direction to which he referred. Unless my eyes deceived me, the long line of breakers came to an abrupt termination there, as if the shore curved inwards at that point.

"You are right! there is a deep bay ahead," I cried joyfully. "Look! you can see the surf whitening around the cape!"

The whole crew simultaneously detected this new chance of escape. Though unable to head to the wind as before, there was still a prospect that we could clear the promontory. Accordingly the next few minutes were spent in breathless suspense. Not a word was spoken on board. Every eye was fixed on that rocky headland, around which the waters boiled as in the vortex of a maelstrom.

The ship seemed conscious of the general feeling, and struggled, I thought, more desperately than ever. She breasted the huge billows with gallant perseverance, and though each one set her closer to the shore, she met the next wave with the same stubborn resolution. Nearer, nearer, nearer, we drifted towards the fatal cape. I could now almost fling a biscuit into the breakers.

I had noticed a gigantic roller coming for some time, but had hoped that we might clear the cape before it reached us. I now saw the hope was in vain. Towering and towering the huge wave approached, its dark side an almost perpendicular wall of waters.

"Hold on all!" thundered the captain.

Down it came. For an instant its vast summit hovered overhead, and then with a roar like ten thousand cataracts, it poured over us. The ship was swept before it like a feather on a gale. With the waters flashing and hissing over the decks, and whirling in wild eddies under our lee, we drove in the direcetion of the cape. I held my breath in awe. A strong man might have almost leaped on the extreme point of the promontory. I closed my eyes shuddering. The next instant an hurrah met my ear. I looked up. We had shot past the cape, and miles of dark water was before us. An old tar beside me had given vent to the cheer.

"By the Lord," he said, "but that was close scraping, sir. Another sich would have cracked her hull like an egg-shell. But this craft was n't made to go to Davy Jones's locker."

And with all the coolness imaginable he took out a huge piece of pig-tail, leisurely twisted off a piece, and began chewing with as much composure as if nothing unusual had happened.

A year ago, when in New York, I met the captain again, unexpectedly, at the Astor. We dined together, when I took occasion to ask him if he remembered our winter's night experience in the Channel, ten years before.

"Ay," he said. "And do you know that when I went out to Liverpool on my next trip, I heard that search had been made all along the coast for the fragments of our ship. The escape was considered miraculous."

"Sir," I replied, "I've had enough of the Irish Channel."

COMMERCIAL HOTEL.

HENRY MACFARLANE begs to acquaint his friends, and Gentlemen arriving in Honolulu, that his Hotel will be found to possess every requisite accommodation; Wines, Spirits, Ale and Porter, of superior quality. Superior Billiard Tables and Bowling Alleys. Hot, Cold, and Shower Baths.

WINES, SPIRITS, ETC., PER BOTTLE.

Champagne,	$2 50	Whiskey	$2 50
Port	2 00	Brandy, Martell's best,	2 50
Sherry,	2 00		
Madeira,	2 00	Gin, Schiedam, best	2 50
Hock,	1 50	Ale,	75
Sauterne,	1 00	Porter,	75
Claret,	1 00	Cordials & Liquers	2 00
Cider,	1 00	Old Tom,	2 50

BATHS.

Hot Baths,	$1 00
Cold and Shower Baths,	50

Honolulu, September 21st, 1850.—19-1y.

HOTEL DE FRANCE.—Victor Chancerel & Medaille would respectfully inform their friends and the public that they have taken the above well known stand, where they will be happy at all times to wait upon those who may favor them with their patronage.

The bar will always be supplied with the best of liquors and cigars. The table will be furnished from the very best the market affords. Board by the day or week. Pic-nic and private parties supplied at short notice. Good sleeping rooms attached to the premises. [Sept 14—1y-18

CANTON HOTEL

THE UNDERSIGNED having taken the premises known as the Canton Hotel, lately occupied by Mr. Samuel Thompson, begs to notify the residents of Honolulu and transient visitors generally, that their bar will be constantly supplied with the choicest of Wines, Liquors, etc., and the table with the best viands the market affords, having secured the services of a first rate cook and steward, they hope by assiduity and strict attention to business, to merit a share of the public patronage.

N. B. A well fitted Billiard Room, Bowling Alleys and sleeping apartments attached to the premises. JOHN BARTLETT & CO.

Honolulu, July 20,-10-6m

MAINE HOTEL.

BROWN & FRIEL, would respectfully notify their friends and the public generally, that they have taken the above named establishment, where they will be happy to receive the calls of those who may favor them with their patronage.

The rooms are airy, and fitted up in elegant style. The bar will always be supplied with the choicest of wines, liquors and cigars. Two good bowling alleys are connected with the house.

Strangers visiting this port, and gentlemen resident in Honolulu are respectfully invited to call and examine for themselves. 12-1y.

NEW HOTEL

LIBERTY HALL.

The above House has recently been opened as a first class Hotel. No expense has been spared in fitting it with every modern convenience for comfort and elegance. The Bar will always be supplied with the best of Wines, Liquors and Cigars; and the proprietor hopes by strict attention to the wants of his customers, to merit a share of the public patronage.

JAMES DAWSON

Honolulu, Sept. 7, 1850. 17 1y*.

HAWAIIAN HOTEL.

Lahaina, Maui, Hawaiian Islands.

THE subscribers having purchased the above establishment, and placed it under the direction of T. GARDNER, an experienced caterer, now offer it for the reception of visitors.—Lahaina offers peculiar inducements to invalids visiting the islands to recruit their health, from its position and healthy climate. Attached to the premises are two Bowling Alleys and a Billiard Room.—Terms moderate.

feb23-41tf BOWLIN & CARTWRIGHT.

NOTICE.—Commercial Hotel.—The gentlemen of Honolulu, Captains of vessels, and strangers visiting Oahu, are respectfully informed that the boarding establishment at this hotel will be re-opened on Monday, the 9th of September. The Wines and other beverages will be placed on the table in a state of delicious coolness. A patent ice machine having been purposely imported at a great expense, in order to afford this luxury to the frequenters of the establishment. The Bar will be supplied as usual. H. MACFARLANE,

Honolulu, Aug. 24, 1850—15-tf Proprietor.

SAN FRANCISCO NOTICES.

F. A. HUSSEY. J. B. BOND. H. M. HALE.

HUSSEY, BOND & HALE,

COMMISSION MERCHANTS.

Wharf at the foot of Sacramento street,

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Refer to George B. Upton, Esq, Messrs. Sampson & Tappan, Messrs. Lombard & Whitmore, Boston.

Messrs. Mason & Thompson, Messrs. Andrew Foster & Sons, Simeon Draper Esq, New York.

Messrs. Alex. Brown & Sons, Messrs. Kirkland, Chase & Co, Messrs. Birckhead & Pearce, Baltimore.

Messrs. Mason & Kirkland, Philadelphia; John B. Howell, Esq., New Orleans; Edward Carrington, Esq, Providence; Messrs. Maxwell, Wright & Co, Rio Janeiro. 16y1

Messrs Crabb & Spalding, Honolulu. Aug.31

MARVIN & HITCHCOCK, Stationers and Booksellers, respectfully invite the attention of merchants and others in the Islands to our extensive and well selected assortment of Stationery and Miscellaneous Reading Books, to which we are constantly making additions. We have now monthly arrivals from New York of goods in our line, purchased expressly for the Pacific market.—We have also every variety of Music and Musical Instruments, with the necessary fixtures, &c.—Church Music of late Boston publications.

MARVIN & HITCHCOCK.

San Francisco, August, 1850 -6m*14

BANJOS, TAMBORINES, VIolins, violas, guitars, accordeons, flutes, fifes, flageolettes, clarionets, bugles, bass horns, trombones, cornopeans, saxe tubas, triangles, tuning forks, castinetts, bones, harp strings; rosin, reeds, strings, screws, and other fixtures for the above instruments. A good selection of book and sheet music; also, complete sets of Stephen C. Massett's Songs, for sale at the Pioneer Book Store, Herald Building, Montgomery st., San Francisco. (76m*) MARVIN & HITCHCOCK.

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HORACE HAWES,

COUNSELLOR AT LAW,

SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA. 9y

ISLAND OF GUAM.—Serapio San Juan & Co. Guam, Ladrone Islands, (landing place Apra) have constantly on hand and for sale, the following goods;

Beef and Pork, mess and prime, Flour, Hams.
Pilot and Navy Bread, salted Tongues, Cheese.
Preserved meats, Tea, Coffee, Rice, Molasses.
Sugar, Sweets, Pepper, Cinnamon, Cloves, &c.
Table salt, Mustard, Sauces, Pickles, Olive Oil.
Lamps, Oil, Candles, Tobacco, Cigars, Pipes.
Matches, Soap, Paints, Linseed Oil, White Lead.
Turpentine Varnish, Glue, &c. Pitch, Tar.
Brushes, Cordage of all descriptions, Ratline.
Marline, sail maker's necessaries, Hardware.
Canvas, Crockery, Dry Goods, Clothing, Blocks.
Cutting Falls, head spades, scrapers, Anchors.
Caulking Irons, Chains and every necessary for a ship's outfit. SERAPIO SAN JUAN & CO.

Sept. 28.6m-20. GUAM.

A LARGE and Cheap Assortment of New Goods at Gavin & Henderson's Bee Hive Store. The following goods have just been received:

Superfine blk and blue Broadcloths, Pea Jackets.
Blk Cassimeres, fancy do, Colonial Tweed.
Superior blk blue and fancy Trousers.
Drill and Canton do, blue cloth Jackets.
Three cases bro and bleached Duck pr yard.
Checked, buff and slate, fancy summer Coats.
Monkey Jackets, riding do, white quilted vests.
Fancy Vests, white and col'd Drills, Table covers
All kinds Satin and Fancy velvets for Vests.
White and fancy shirts, Glengary Bonnets.
Blue and scarlet flannel shirts, drawers &c.
Wellington boots and all kinds of shoes.
French blk satin ducrape Hdkfs, China Boxes.
A large assortment of fancy Hdkfs, Bonnets.
Crape Shawls, Scarfs and Hdkfs, artificial flowers
Green silk Netting, China Matting, all widths.
Oil cloth Matting, Laces, Caps, Collars, Habits.
Shirts, Cuffs and all sorts of fancy goods.
10 cases assorted Prints newest styles.
Blue orange and plain Cambrics for riding habits.
Yarmouth Bloaters, Bloater Paste, Cheese.
Garlic Vinegar, boxes Citron, 3 cases as'd Spices.
Chocolate, split and whole Peas, Tumblers.
Refined crushed Sugar, Honey, Lemon Syrup.
French Cologne, Tapes, all kinds, Cigar cases.
Buttons, all sorts, Knives and Forks, Pickles.
Groats and Vinegar.

P. S. Wanted twenty tailors, thirty wahine humuhumu. ☞ None but first rate hands need apply. Also wanted, a boy from 16 to 20 years old, as clerk in store—one who can talk both English and Hawaiian. Honolulu, Sept. 14.18tf

HALLEY & HUNTER, Coach Builders and House Carpenters, Britannia street, Honolulu, beg leave most respectfully to inform the public that they have entered into Co-partnership, and intend to carry on the trade in all its branches, and from their long experience in the trade, both in Scotland and England, and strict attention to the interest of those who employ them, combined with the best materials and workmanship, they trust to be favored with a share of public patronage. For Sale—A very handsome built carriage, on view at the workshop occupied by Mr. Halley.

Sept 14—18-tf

SERAPIO SAN JUAN & CO., GUAM, L. I.

PARTNERSHIP Notice—The undersigned have this day entered into co-partnership under the firm of Serapio, San Juan & Co, for the purpose of supplying whale ships and merchantmen touching at the Island of Guam, Ladrone group, with ship chandlery and other necessaries. The house of business is at the landing place of Apra, where Captains will find at all times a general assortment of ship chandlery, provisions, &c, usually required by ships touching at these Islands.

SERAPIO SAN JUAN, Guam.
MARTIN VARANDA, Manilla.
F. RODRIGUEZ VIDA, Honolulu, H. I.

Bills of exchange on the United States, Europe, and the Sandwich Islands will always be negotiated on favorable terms. Sept. 28.6m-20.

JUST RECEIVED, and for Sale by the Undersigned, at their Store on the Wharf, 40 Cases Pickles, 20 ditto Tomato Ketchup, 20 ditto Saleratus, 10 boxes superior Hyson Tea, 5 cases preserved Fruits, Sauces, White Wine Vinegar, Cherry Juice, Spanish olives, Nutmegs, Mace, Soy, Table Salt, Jams and Jellys, Pepper, Mustard, Hams, Pork and Beef, Flour, Soap, Sperm and Whale Oil, Sugar, Olive Oil, Tobacco, Cigars, (Span and Manila.) 21tf SWAN & CLIFFORD.

NEW TAILORING ESTABLISHMENT

HENRY HILLS begs leave to inform the public that he has commenced the tailoring business in all its branches, opposite the residence of Capt. Meek, on Broadway. H. H. will be happy to meet the attentions of customers and solicits a share of public patronage. N. B. A choice assortment of broadcloths, doe skins, and summer vestings and pantaloon stuff constantly on hand.

Sept. 21-6m-19

STRAYED OR STOLEN from the residence of the undersigned, one large Parrot, with a ring around one foot. If strayed, the parties returning said bird will be well paid for their trouble, but if after this notice, said bird is found in possession of any one, an action will be brought against them for thieving. Oct. 5 tf-21 H. SEA

JUST RECEIVED, and for sale by the undersigned, 1 case Levantine Shawls, 550 boxes Pecoo Teas, 50 do. Congo do., 4 casks Brandy, 2 houses, 50,000 Spanish cigars, Tomano Lumber Looking Glasses, &c.

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CONSTANTLY ON HAND, and for sale, by the undersigned, KAUAI BUTTER.

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FRESH ARRIVALS at Gavin & Henderson's. 3 Bales unbleached and bleached Linen Duck of the very best quality. 1 Bale of broad blue superfine Cloth.

THE undersigned offer for sale low, to close consignments, the balance of cargoes ex Minstrel, Montreal, Auckland, Charles and Chile, consisting of HARDWARE.

Iron Rivets, composition Nails and Spikes, Brads.
Zinc Nails, Iron Wire Sieves, Wire Webbing.
Refined Eng Iron, Steel, assorted, Blind Fasts.
Hooks and Thimbles, Carolina Hoes, Anvils.
Iron Shovels, Trace Chains, Saw Arbor, Vices.
Morticing machine, Sash Weights, Coil Chain.
Deck Lights, Grindstones with cranks & rollers.
Glue, 1 Chain Cable 1 1-4 inch, 3942 lbs.
1 Chain Cable, 1 inch, 4800 lbs.
1 Anchor do 1363 lbs, 1 do 1839 lbs, with stock and hoops complete.

GROCERIES.

Short 6 Cigars, Yara filled do. Butter, Beef.
Half bbls Mess Pork, Olive soap, Maccaroni.
Essence of Rose, Vanilla and Lemon.
Water Crackers, Sperm Candles.

PAINTS &c.

Varnish, Litharge, Orange Mineral, Whiting.
Putty, Furniture Varnish, Lamp Black, blk Paint.
Yellow paint, red do.

CROCKERY.

Nappies, Bowls, Plates, Tea Sets, &c.

SUNDRIES.

Shoe Thread, Shoemaker's Findings, Wicking.
Patent Leather, Shoe pegs, House paper, Rosin.
Coarse sponge, fine do, Cooking Stoves, Pitch.
Family Medicines, Ox bows, Hemp cordage, Tar
Sheathing copper, American Lumber. Sheet lead.

Sept 1, 1850.16tf B. F. SNOW.

IMPORTANT Public Announcement. William Piper respectfully announces to the inhabitants of Honolulu that he will open the premises adjoining those of W. S. Anner & Co. on Monday, August 26, for the sale of Bread, Pastry and Confectionery. It is his determination to use the best flour in the market, and he trusts that his endeavors to supply the public with a good loaf o bread, will meet with their approbation. Tea Cakes, Milk and Paris Bread, morning and evening, Bride and Christening Cakes of the best quality and ornamented in the most chaste and appropriate style Inns, balls and suppers furnished with mountain currents and Pastry, in a style of art unequalled in this town. The justly celebrated Sarsaparilla and Lemon Beer for sale, also cigars &c. Coffee roasted and ground every morning at three rials per pound August 24.3m15

NOTICE.—The undersigned begs leave to give notice that for the convenience of residents and others, HENRY M. WHITNEY, Esq., of the Polynesian Office, has kindly consented, and is hereby authorized to receive any moneys due to the Royal Hawaiian Agricultural Society. Persons wishing to enroll their names as members are invited hand them in at the Polynesian office.

SAM'L N CASTLE, Treas'r.

Honolulu, Aug 16, 1850.

FOR SALE—At the store of the undersigned—smoked herring, wine and soda crackers, loaf sugar, butter, saleratus, extract of nutmeg and rose, currants, cigars, cut tobacco, cavindish do, new honey, hams, table salt, arrow root, &c.

ALSO—Superior American flour, rice, dried apples and peaches, and a general assortment of other merchandise suited for this market.

SWAN & CLIFFORD.

Honolulu, Aug. 10, 1850—13-tf

$50 REWARD.—The private vault of Mr Joseph Booth, in Nuuanu Cemetery, having been violently broken into, and the sacred repose of the dead disturbed by the hands of some persons unknown, sometime during the present week, the above reward is offered by him for the apprehension and conviction of the person or persons engaged in committing such sacrilege.

Honolulu, July 20, 1850.-10tf

CAUTION.—The undersigned having become the proprietor of the estate called Kaneloa, in the district of Kona, Oahu, hereby notifies all owners of Cattle, Horses, Sheep, Goats, and every other description of domestic animals, that any of the said animals found within the boundaries of the said estate after the date hereof, will be regarded as trespassers, and dealt with accordingly. WILLIAM JARRETT.

Honolulu, Sept. 7, 1850.6m-17.

DAILY PICAYUNE.—The subscriber having been duly appointed agent for the Picayune, published at San Francisco, would respectfully solicit subscriptions for the same. The price of subscription for daily paper is $18 per year, payable in advance, or $10 for six months, payable in advance. Subscription list at the store of Messrs. Sea & Bartow, where may also be seen some of the numbers of the Picayune. C. S. BARTOW, Agt.

Honolulu, Aug. 31.16tf

GEORGE RISELY, Butcher and General Meat Salesman, begs leave most respectfully to inform the residents of this city and shipmasters generally, that he has taken the stand owned by Mr. French, and lately occupied by Mr. Geo. Bush, where he is determined to sell none but the best of meat, and trusts that by cleanliness and strict attention to his business, he may merit a share of public patronage. G. R. trusts nothing shall be wanting on his part to give satisfaction to those whom he may have the honor to serve.

N. B. Ox Tongues and Corned Beef cured in a superior manner. Sept 24.6m-18

JEWELRY, GOLD PENS, &c.

Just received by the undersigned, a large assortment of fashionable Jewelry, consisting of Mosaic, Cameo, Lava, Enameled and Scarf Pins, Gold, Coral, Cameo, Lava and Hair Bracelets, Gold Studs, Gold Chains, Rings, Ear Hoops, Knobs and Drops, Tea Strainers, together with a splendid assortment of Gold Pens, with and without holders. For sale by D. N. FLITNER.

Honolulu, Aug. 24, 1850.15tf

MAILS FOR CALIFORNIA, OREGON, and the U. S.—Letter bags will be kept open hereafter at the Polynesian Office for the receipt of Letters and papers for the above places, and a mail will be despatched from this office, for San Francisco, by every opportunity.

Letters for Valparaiso, Sydney, and the Chinese Ports will also be despatched from this Office by every opportunity. Sept. 7, 1850.tf-17

NOTICE.

THE CO-PARTNERSHIP heretofore existing between S. H. Williams, J. F. B. Marshall, Wm. Baker, Jr, and B. F. Snow, at Honolulu Oahu, Sandwich Islands, expires this day by limitation. The unsettled business of that concern will be arranged by either of the partners.

S. H. WILLIAMS & CO.

Honolulu, Aug. 31, 1850.

All persons indebted to the late firm of S. H. Williams & Co., are requested to make payment, and all having claims against the firm or either of the partners, are requested to present the same to

Sept. 1, 1850. J. F. B. MARSHALL.

NOTICE.—The subscriber has established himself at this place as a General Commission Merchant, and has taken the premises recently occupied by S. H. Williams & Co. B. F. SNOW.

Honolulu, Sept. 1, 1850.16tf

DISSOLUTION of Partnership.—Notice is hereby given that the Partnership heretofore existing between C. H. Nicholson and Thomas Henderson, doing business at Honolulu, under the style of Nicholson & Henderson, is this day dissolved and that the business will be carried on in the same place by the undersigned, who alone is authorized to receive payments and settle all the business connected with the late firm.

C. H. NICHOLSON.

Honolulu, Aug. 13, 1850.-14-6m

OLELO HOOLAHA.—Ina e loaa ana kekahi kanaka, mahope o ka hoolaha ana o keia palapala, e lawe ana i ka PAAKAI o PUULOA, a me ka IA paha o na LOKO, a me ka IA o ka PA KULI, a o na kanaka e loaa ana e lawe ana i ka Paakai i huna ia ma Puuloa, ua kuai ia' ku paha e kekahi kanaka malaila me ka lohe ole a me ka ae ole o ka mea nona ka inoa malalo, e hopu ia no lakou a hoopii ia lakou a e hookolokolo ia lakou ma ka ano aihue. C. W. VINCENT.

Honolulu, July 6, 1850. 6m8

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that we have appointed JAMES I. DOWSETT to be our agent at Honolulu, to attend to, and transac any and all business during our absence from this place. EVERETT & CO.

Honolulu, June 27, 1850.—7tf

POTATOES! POTATOES!!—We beg respectfully to inform Merchants and Shippers generally, that we are prepared to supply them with Potatoes, Sugar, Syrup, Molasses, and all the other products of these Islands, at the shortest notice.

With a view to ensure a more regular and prompt attention to our numerous friends, we have opened an Office at the old stand of Mr. F. W. Thompson, Auctioneer, opposite Messrs. Williams & Co., where Mr. Robinson will be glad to receive orders and give them his best attention.

HALSTEAD, SMITH & ROBINSON.

May 25.—2tf

ON HAND AND FOR SALE BY THE subscribers—wh't fig'd pongee hdk'fs, sewing silk, satin aprons, superfine blue and black broad cloth grass cloth, do. hdk'fs, Irish linens, hosiery and fancy articles, water and soda crackers, blackberry syrup, pres'd peaches, cassia, glue, casks pilot and navy bread, mess beef, prime pork, chewing and leaf tobacco, axes, corn mills, as'd sizes iron chests, ox bows, spades and shovels, cultivators, blacksmith's anvils, Chile flour, chain cables, large as't of enameled ware; an as't of hollow ware, consisting of sauce and bake pans, griddles, &c., &c., as'd cut nails, trace chains, pat. gate hinges and latches, plane irons, comp. nails and spikes, copper bolts, Russia canvas, bolting cloths, water filterers, as't of carpenter's tools, tailor's irons and sheers, brass butts, &c., &c.; verdigris, chrome yellow, chrome green, wh't lead, spt's turpentine, blk paint, yellow ochre putty, copal varnish, boxes of window glass 8x10—10x12—12x14—12x15—12x18, grindstones, hide rope, crowbars, willow baskets, horse cart, stationery, &c. EVERETT & CO.

Honolulu, July 27, 1850. 11-tf

OMAKOU, NA MEA NONA NA INOA malalo nei, e noho ana ma Honolulu nei, mai noi ana o Starkey Janion ma, ua ike pono maua ka hooao ana'e o kekahi pahu hao i hanaia i Milner ma, ma Liverpool, ma ke ahi wela loa, i kekahi hora okoa, ke hoike aku nei makou, i ka wehe ana o ua pahu hao la, aole i wela ike na palapala i waihoia iloko mamua o ke aa ana o ke ahi. Ua pono maoli no.

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, RESIdents at Honolulu, having, at the request of Messrs. Starkey, Janion & Co., witnessed one of Messrs. Tho's Milner & Sons' (of Liverpool,) patent Fire resisting Safes exposed to the effects of a red hot Coal fire for the space of one hour, do hereby certify, that upon the said Fire Resisting Safe being opened, we found letters and papers that had been deposited therein prior to the fire in an excellent state of preservation.

March 22, 1850.

J. C. Spalding, F. R. Vida & Co., R. W. Wood, N. F. Sayre, Wm. Jarrett, Dr. E. Hoffmann, Leon de Aguirre, H. Hackfeld.

☞ Ma ka hale kuai o Starkey Janion ma, a i ka ua pahu hao la, i oleloia maluna, a me na palapala i waihoia iloko.

☞ The Safe above mentioned, with the letters and papers it contained, may be seen at the store of Messrs. STARKEY, JANION & CO. [45tf

Special Notice to Hotel and Inn Keepers, &c.

Charged by the Laws of the land to inquire into and inform of all offenses in violation of the provisions of the Penal Code, copied below. I deem it just to give notice that hereafter it is my intention strictly to perform my duty, whenever a violation occurs.

W. C. PARKE,

Marshal of the Hawaiian Islands.

Honolulu, October 18, 1850.

Chapter XXXXI. Sec. 1. "The Lord's day is to be kept holy. All worldly business, amusements and recreations are forbidden on that day, and whoever *keeps open his shop, store, warehouse or workshops*, or shall do any manner of labor, business or work, excepting works of necessity and charity, or be present at any dancing, public amusement, show or entertainment, or take part in any game, sport or play, on the Lord's Day, shall be punished by fine not exceeding ten *dollars*.

Sec. 2.—Whoever being a Hotel, Inn, Victualing house, bowling alley or billiard table keeper or retailer of spirituous liquors or other person keeping a House of public entertainment, who shall entertain any persons not travellers, strangers or lodgers, in his house on the Lord's day, or shall suffer any person on said day to abide or remain in his House, or in any building or place appertaining thereto, drinking or spending their time in games, idly or at play, or in doing any secular business, shall be punished by a fine not exceeding ten dollars for each person so entertained or suffered to abide or remain, and every person so abiding or drinking shall be punished by a fine not exceeding five dollars." 23-tf

NOTICE.—The subscribers would inform their friends and the public, that they have purchased the stock and stand of C. W. Vincent, and will continue to carry on the carpenter and joiners business under the style of Brandon & Wood. They will be prepared at all times to execute building and jobbing on reasonable terms and at short notice. Also attention paid to the Undertakers business. WM. BRANDON.

R. A. S. WOOD.

B. & W. have on hand and for sale
40 M cedar boards, 1 inch; do do 1-2 inch.
40 M do plank 2 inch; 100 M pine palings.
60 M shaved and sawed cedar and pine shingles
60 M pine clapboards, laths; fence posts.
Joist 3x4, 4x4, 4x6, and a quantity of timber.
Just received ex George Hallett:
26,600 ft No 3 pine boards, 16,600 ft planed do
4,000 feet spruce joist, 11,700 No 3 plank,
6,000 spruce boards, 20 M lath,
30 M shaved cedar shingles, 10 M do pine do,
5 M sawed cedar do, 5 M sawed pine do,
10 M No 1 clear extra do, 2 M spruce pickets.
2 M No 1 pine do, 2 M clear do do,
4 M No 1 clapboards, 20,000 2 in. spruce plank
10,000 deck plank, 16,000 oak do, viz:
4 plank 1 1-2 inches, 23 do 2 do, 33 do 3 1-2 do
54 do 3 do, 31 do 3 1-2 do, 27 do 4 do,
1 do 4 1-2 do, 1 do 6 do.

Together with a great variety of building material, comprising the best ass