

THE POLYNESIAN.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 1855.

The scheme of establishing a journal to be printed in the native language, intended to become a channel for the dissemination of political information and the Hawaiian trade...

plain and facilitate the working of its invention. It is hardly too much to say that ministers themselves might have learned something through such a medium. At all events the people would have been treated more like rational beings...

document for the latter to remain by his vessel, supporting the cause in after a year's unsuccessul cruise in the Arctic, and so on, was the case with a large number last season, thus bringing the poor fellow actually in debt to her for clothes & food.

their leader, in whose judgment they appeared to place entire confidence, admitting his word as supreme law. San Juan and vicinity is effectually in the undisputed possession of the Americans.

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In the meanwhile we will observe that the difficulties in the way of producing a secular journal in the Hawaiian language have, we think, been overrated. Only find an editor who shall be a man of the world, a man of information and fact...

It is idle to say that any body who pleases may commence a journal next week. You know very well that in this, as in everything else, government would have to incur at the outset would startle any man of means so moderate as are those of Hawaiians in general.

As a Road-Tax payer, I beg to avail myself of the medium of this paper, to present to the present state of our streets. A traveler arriving here from a Spanish country, the country of the Greasers, as certain people will have it, must think indeed, that if those are Greasers, we Honolulu are the *deus ex machina* of the streets.

At another time one of Walker's men forcibly wrested a bottle of gin from the hands of a native, when the offender was seized and having been taken to the punishment. In fact, natives and foreigners were perfectly aware of the punishment awaiting any infraction of the rules, and the utmost confidence was placed in the justice of Col. Walker's military administration.

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We have nothing in the world to say against our little contemporary, the *Eleke*; it is very pious, very moral, very Protestant, and very much addicted to temperance; in its own line it is a really well-conducted sheet. But the people want a paper of more stamina, something more worldly-wise and practical.

It may very well happen that the paper we are advocating will in some measure help in the indispensable work of teaching the natives the English tongue. Foreign words must be introduced, and these being well explained, and of frequent recurrence, will become impressed upon the minds of those who read them, and to a certain extent assist them in acquiring a language, by the use of which they may not only understand but eventually come to be understood by the outer world.

Later from the *Ochotok*.—Movements of the British Fleet.—A Russian steamer blown up. Mr. Swan, a gentleman who arrived yesterday, in the whaling barque *George*, has furnished us with the following details of the movements of the British fleet at Ayan, in the Ochotok Sea.

At a late hour last night, from Deputy Sheriff Davidson, that Mr. Swan was still in confinement; and also that he (the officer) attached the barque *George*, yesterday afternoon, with her cargo of 1200 lbs. of oil, on a debt of \$6000.—*Alta California*, October 26.

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Now we do maintain, and have maintained for years, though not perhaps in the *Polynesian*, that justice has never yet been done to the Hawaiian race. Their capabilities have not been fairly tested. An elaborate scheme of government was invented for them; the machinery was intricate to a fault; its ramifications were no end. Then, like a vast frame-work, it was lowered down upon the people, and they were told to work it, but at the same time to look out for their hands lest they got pinched, their arms lest they got gripped, and their bodies in general or they might get into the wrong place.

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plaining that the part of Ayan is in possession of the British Squadron, and all the neutral vessels are hereby directed to leave the anchorage in the neighborhood of the port, having received this notice, will be liable to capture and confiscation.

By the *Cortes*, we have interesting details from Nicaragua, both in relation to the movements of the colony of Col. Kinney at Greytown, and of Col. Walker at San Juan. The men who went down in the *Cortes* with Messrs. John Ryder, Capt. G. B. Davison and Lieut. Gilman, had already been quartered in *La Caba de Pinar*, at San Juan.

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Experience teaches! What on earth, they asked, is this crank intended for, why is this eccentric motion necessary, wherefore this elbow, how are we to account for these little wheels that are playing within other wheels, and what is the tall-tale meant to do? Experience teaches! Why could not this strap lead directly from the main drum without being brought to a round turn every here and there upon some intermediate spindle before it arrives at the "governor?" Experience teaches!

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