

THE FLAG MUST STAY.

AMERICAN SENTIMENT ABOUT ANNEXATION.

The Views of a Veteran Politician and Editor on the Great Issue of the Day.

Ex-State Senator C. L. MacArthur, one of the veteran politicians of New York, is at the Hawaiian Hotel. Mr. MacArthur has been editor of a Troy newspaper for many years, and is accustomed to study the currents of public opinions.

Speaking last night of the annexationist movement he said: "I hear a great deal of talk about restoration, but I must say that so far as the action of the United States is relied upon to bring it about, the Hawaiian monarchists will be disappointed. Such a thing is not to be thought of in America. Mr. Cleveland cannot afford to pull down the American flag. To do so would make a greater furor than did his proposal, a few years since, to restore the Confederate ensigns. To abandon this country to its fate could only mean defeat to the Democrats in the next campaign."

"I am aware that there is a quietude in our country upon Hawaiian matters which some people mistake for apathy. It is not this. It is confidence. The people feel certain that, after some needed formalities have been observed, the islands will come into the Union. Were this not the general view, and particularly if the Americans thought that Mr. Cleveland proposed to withdraw the protectorate, you would see a flame of protest and excitement which no administration could withstand. Briefly summarized the American spirit is this: 'If any man attempts to pull down the American flag, punish him on the spot.'"

"The churches are doing a great deal to create and foster a favorable view of annexation. Hawaii is chosen ground for the Protestant religious bodies in America who are accustomed to part with pride to the success of the missionaries here and to use the religious history of the islands as an evidence of what may be done to Christianize barbarian peoples. Naturally when they see that the ex-Queen's friends are fighting the 'missionary crowd' they side with the latter in confidence that they are doing the right thing for morality and civilization. No President or official of any rank, would care to take issue with the churches, particularly in a fight where the appeal of civilization, good government and the like re-enforces the religious argument. You may be sure that the influence of American Christians will be thrown with tremendous weight into the annexationist scale and that it of itself will far more than overcome any opposing tendency that may possibly arise."

"I believe our people would like to see the Queen paid off and provided for. They don't relish the idea of knocking a woman down and stealing her pocket book; but at that point their interest in her and in what she represents, comes to an end."

Senator MacArthur will spend some time in the islands, a visit to which has been one of his pleasant anticipations for many years.

DEPENDS ON ANNEXATION.

The Oahu Railroad Company and its Bonding Enterprise.

B. F. Dillingham, who, for some time, has been in New York working in the interests of the O. R. & L. Co. writes that much of his financial success, in securing a loan of \$2,000,000 for his company, will depend upon annexation to the United States.

It will be remembered that a few months ago Mr. Willey, representing an American insurance company, was here investigating the matter. His report determined the American company to insure payment of the bonds and it was forwarded to the London company that will sell the securities in England. The London syndicate has accepted the report and announces that it will issue the bonds and place them on the market the moment annexation is brought about.

If the money is secured, as it probably will be, there will be immediate payments made here amounting to \$500,000, and arrangements will be at once set afoot to begin the extension of the railway around the island.

H. B. M. S. Hyacinthe.

The Hyacinthe, which has been expected to arrive at Honolulu for some two weeks, is likely to put in an appearance about April 15th. Upon enquiring at the British Legation it is learned the vessel will remain at this port awaiting orders which will determine her future movements. In case no orders are received she will proceed on her cruise. It is not thought the situation here is likely to detain her any length of time beyond the delay attending her usual call.

The Royal Arthur and Temeraire of the British navy, which are due in the Pacific from England early in May, will proceed to the North Pacific station and may call at Honolulu on the way up. Minister Waterhouse denies that he has sent for either of them.

Dr. Lucas To-Night.

Dr. Lucas will give the following selections at the entertainment for the benefit of the Y. M. C. A. library: "The Quaker Meeting," "The Yorkshireman's Welcome to the New Baby," "Punch's Epitaph on Abraham Lincoln," Original Poems. By special request he will sing in the Indian language. Admission charged—a book or books, suitable for the library.

FEMININE POLITICS.

How Hawaiian Women Expect to Restore the Queen.

The women's branch of the Hawaiian Patriotic League organized at Arion Hall yesterday afternoon. The main room was filled with about 200 persons, mostly females.

There were women of all degrees, shades and styles, and it is safe to say all classes of Hawaiian women were represented, from the descendants of Kamehameha to the modern Hawaiian belle, rivaling her haughty sister in ribbons and complexion.

Addresses were made by John E. Bush and Mrs. F. W. Macfarlane, President of the organization, which purported to set forth the aims and plans of the association. It was stated that the leading object was to extend a general welcome on the part of native Hawaiians to the members of the United States Commission when they arrive.

Among themselves, however, the native women say they have never forgotten the jolly time they had at the hookupu given Rear Admiral Brown about two years ago, at the foot of Fort street. It is pretty generally understood that the present welcome will develop into another hookupu, to be given shortly after the Commissioners arrive. It is the firm belief of the promoters of this feminine scheme that if the seductive influences of a hookupu are added to their own blandishments, the Commission will grant any boon they may ask, and it is intimated that in this manner the Hawaiian women hope to rescue Liliuokalani on the throne.

About 160 names were placed on the league list, and besides the usual officers elected, were added large executive and financial committees.

A committee meeting of the main body of the Patriotic league was held last night at Arion Hall. About 75 members were present and several short speeches in the native tongue were made after the routine of business had been gone through with.

OBJECTS TO THE FLAG.

James Campbell's Row with the Annexation Club.

The Executive Committee of the Annexation Club were showing considerable anger day before yesterday when a STAR reporter entered room No. 6, in Campbell's Block. George Strate Meyer had just finished decorating the rooms and stood surrounded by well-draped American flags, with a paint brush in each hand. There was visible excitement in his face as he swung one of the paint brushes dangerously near chairman McStocker's left ear, and denounced something or somebody in unqualified, but artistic terms.

It turned out that one of those annexation flags had caused the trouble. The Club had flung their new headquarters banner to the breeze, by anchoring one end of the line to Campbell's Block. James Campbell objected. He first protested to U. S. Consul Severance, who informed the testy landlord he had better see the Club about it. Mr. Campbell saw the Club, but they went right ahead and put out their banner. He then formally protested, but still the flag waved to the afternoon trade wind. It is there yet, but day before yesterday Campbell gave the Club notice to quit room No. 6 at the expiration of their present month, ending April 24th.

The Executive Committee of the Club will secure new rooms for a headquarters by the time specified, but meanwhile the American flag will stay where it was put.

NEWS IN A NUT SHELL.

Dr. Lucas will entertain at the Y. M. C. A. this evening.

For the last two nights half a gale has been blowing, and as a result the sea is running high outside the bar.

There is no truth in the story that Japanese house servants are disaffected owing to alleged interference in Hawaiian politics of the Japanese Consul-General.

The Second Congregation of St. Andrew's Cathedral held Lenten services to day as follows: Communion at 8 A. M., short service and singing of the Story of the Cross at noon. This afternoon at 5:15, there will be a service of prayer.

C. A. Brown has sued the Bulletin for libel, placing his damages at \$10,000. The case is calendared for the May term. Mr. Brown is represented in the action by F. M. Hatch.

The stalwart Hawaiians easily defeated the Japanese tug of war team at the cyclery last evening. Afterwards the Portuguese got away with the Germans, pulling for an hour and twenty two minutes.

The high wind of yesterday blew the St. George's Cross out of the Hawaiian flag in the government yard leaving the American stripes. A new ensign is now flying.

Twenty Raymond excursionists, including Bronson Howard, the famous American playwright, left for the volcano to-day on the Kinau.

CRUISE OF THE STAR.

A Fine Lot of Curios—A Fatal Fall from Aloft.

The Missionary packet Morning Star arrived in the harbor yesterday morning, three months ahead of time, after a cruise of nine months among the islands of the South Seas. During the voyage the Star touched at fifteen islands of the Marshall group, at eleven of the Gilbert islands and at several of the Caroline group. On the outward voyage Ocean island was sighted, but nothing was seen of the shed erected there several years ago by the Hawaiian government. The Star left Kusaie homeward bound on February 9th, and reached Honolulu after a voyage of forty-seven days.

The Star brought as passengers Messrs. Little, Kinney, Fletcher and Captain Melander. Miss Leno, the daughter of one of the Hawaiian missionaries to the South Seas, was also a passenger. She comes to Honolulu to attend school. Although the machinery of the Star broke down several times the trip was not delayed, as several weeks' time was saved by curtailing Rev. J. M. Shannon's cruise south.

It is announced the Germans have entered a protest against the Star cruising through the Marshall islands. Troubles among the natives of Kusaie are reported, which are said to have ended in bloodshed.

The Star came home with a water and wood ballast, and brings a small cargo of South Sea island curios. Some of these are quite interesting, even in Honolulu, where Polynesian handicraft abounds. When a reporter called, the second mate's cabin was filled from roof to floor with this miscellaneous collection, some of which is worthy of mention.

Just inside the door lay a pile of fine mats, of various patterns and grades, collected during the cruise among the Marshall islands. Near by was stored a small lot of valuable red coral from the same group. Overhead were hung several unique suits of savage armor from Tapatien, Gilbert islands, which were finely woven of coconut fibre. These armors extend from the neck to the knees, and being all of an inch thick, offers sufficient protection against any of the savage weapons of the South Seas. In one corner of the cabin stood a wicked looking bundle of coconut wood spears from Kusaie, while in several large boxes on the floor could be seen the pink tips of pretty shells, gathered from various islands during the cruise of 18,000 miles; but the most of the shells came from the Marshall and Gilbert groups. On the walls of the cabin the second mate had arranged in tasteful designs tortoise-shell fans of his own handiwork.

During the trip from the Marshall islands to Kusaie, Caroline islands, a child of one of the native passengers died at sea. The body was taken to Kusaie for burial.

While the Star was lying at anchor at Tapatien, in the Gilbert islands, the vessel was visited frequently by the natives of the district. One day when several native children, belonging to Rev. J. M. Shannon's school were aboard, one of them went aloft without permission. As soon as he was seen he was ordered by one of the officers to come down. It is unknown whether or not the demand frightened the lad, for instead of obeying in the usual manner, he leaped from the topsail yard into the sea and never came to the surface.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

That celebrated Lohengrin beer is on draught at the Pantheon Saloon, which holds the Sole Agency.

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The ladies are sure to want Easter bonnets and the latest millinery novelties about this time; well, Egan & Gunn have them, just received by this steamer Australia.

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