

WILLIS FOR THE FLAG.

HIS REPLY TO THE AMERICAN LEAGUE.

He Will Do Nothing Here to Conflict With His Ardent American Principles.

The STAR has obtained, with much difficulty, a complete and authentic report of the remarks made by Minister Willis to a delegation of the American League which presented him with a memorial some days ago.

Gentlemen—I am an ardent American. I would like to see the stars and stripes waving under proper conditions, not only over the Pacific Islands, but over any other territory which would be beneficial to the United States.

THE BOWSTRING HEMP.

Something More About a Useful Plant.

Sansevieria (bowstring hemp) requires good, rich soil to succeed well, and will, under favorable circumstances, acquire its full growth in about twelve months' time.

Sansevieria is essentially a tropical plant. It will, after reaching maturity, if not cut, stand without injury for a number of years.

It will be seen from the foregoing account that the cultivation of Sansevieria is an industry of great promise to this country, and would go far to help the coffee industry to a far greater measure of success than it carried on alone.

The Bureau is setting out in the Government nursery as many of the Sansevieria plants as there is room for, and in the course of the next two years will have many thousands of the plants to distribute.

BOARD OF EDUCATION.

Why Are Its Books and Papers Being Experted?

Considerable comment has been caused in Government offices over the appointment of Messrs. Scrimgeour and Piece, the well-known accountants, as experts to examine the books and records of the Board of Education.

Health Officer Reynolds was called up twice last night to issue burial certificates to Chinese, who do not seem to understand that he has regular office hours.

Portuguese Counsel-General Canavarro paid an official visit to the Philadelphia this morning, and the flag of Portugal was saluted on his departure.

CABLE COMMUNICATION.

THE AUSTRALIANS ARE MOVING IN THE MATTER.

Trade Being Fostered Between Canada and the Colonies—McIllwraith's Resignation.

(Special correspondence of the STAR.) AUCKLAND, October 28.—The news of the Miowera's mishap was known the day after the Warrimoo left, when full particulars came to hand.

As the company has lost no time in chartering a really first-class boat, in fact the clipper boat of the New Zealand trade with England—four masted, double funnelled, over 420 feet in length, proportionate beam, very fast and, above all, fitted up with refrigerating chambers, so that the frozen-meat trade can at once be tried between the two great wings of the empire.

Glasson, the perpetrator of the Caroor double murder, has been tried and duly convicted. The death sentence has been passed. Now, a committee, consisting of some of the highest medical experts of the colony, is holding an inquiry and examination on him to see if he is insane, and, as he is well connected, it is a ten-to-one chance he will not swing.

Mr. Howell, or more correctly speaking, Hon. Mackenzie Bowell, Minister for Trade and Commerce in Canada, has been touring the Colonies and interviewing all sorts of people, in and out of trade between Canada and Australasia, also cable communication, leaving the Hawaiian Isles out of it and only touching purely British possessions.

He has so far succeeded that a conference of the Premiers of the different colonies is going to be held. The plan which I think will be carried out is that the different colonies, Canada and England will pool a proportionate share and run the cable themselves instead of subsidizing a private company.

Public interest is aroused on this question, and the French line is doomed. But Mr. Audley Coote says he will have the French line land in Frisco in three years from now—of course this line touches at Honolulu.

But in my opinion the line you will get first is an American line from Frisco to Honolulu, then from there to Yokohama, as American trade there will soon demand it.

Times are getting worse in the colonies, and everyone knows they were bad enough before. Sir Thomas McIllwraith has resigned on the plea of ill health. He starts for Japan, Canada and England next month.

Between ourselves, I think I can make a better guess than Mr. Ashford's "scathing expose." Permit me to state now, without betraying any confidence which Mr. Blount reposed in me, to publicly deny that anything I said corroborated the obscene subject matter of that alleged statement, and further to state as publicly and openly as I can, that I believe the latter to be a tissue of falsehood so far as you have referred to it.

WHAT ROSA SAYS NOW.

He Sings a Different Tune Than He Did Some Months Ago.

EDITOR STAR: In your issue of the 14th instant, in an editorial article entitled "Blount's Report," you report me as having given Mr. Blount important evidence by inference from your article—verifying what you style Col. V. V. Ashford's "scathing expose."

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PERSONAL.

Abraham Hoffnung, late Hawaiian Charge d'Affaires in London, is now in Sydney.

Mrs. J. R. Sutton, wife of Purser Sutton of the Alameda, accompanied by Miss Eliot McCombe, is in Chicago.

U. S. Minister Willis and wife, Finance Minister Damon and wife and Paul Neumann and wife called on the officers of the Philadelphia last evening.

Tom Christley quietly left for the Coast yesterday afternoon. His friends say that he has gone after a bride. It is even rumored that he has already engaged a bridal stateroom for the return trip.

UNDER THE OLD REGIME.

HOW THE DEAR PEOPLE WERE CINCHED.

Why John F. Colburn Waited So Long for His Money for Supplies for the Board of Health.

It is generally known, especially among old residents here, that there was more or less crookedness in certain quarters in the matter of furnishing supplies to the different departments under the Royalist regime.

Only a few days ago the STAR called attention to the fact that giant powder for the Street Department, for which \$40 per case was paid under the previous administration, is now costing only a little over \$9.

Another instance has recently come to the notice of the STAR in which the Board of Health was victimized and the public made to pay for supplies which were never received.

During several years previous to May, 1892, it had been the custom of the Board of Health, instead of asking for tenders for supplies, to distribute the orders for them among the different firms. For instance, in the matter of furnishing feed for the team employed by the Board of Health, it was the custom of C. B. Reynolds, the then agent of the Board, to distribute the Board's patronage among the firms engaged in supplying feed for three months at a time, until all had had their turn.

Among the dealers in this commodity at that time was one John F. Colburn, who, for reasons best known to the Board and Mr. Reynolds, was studiously ignored in the distribution of patronage, probably for good and sufficient reasons.

Anyhow, Mr. Colburn got no patronage until April and May, 1892, and none after that up to the time he received a contract which called for weights as delivered.

David Dayton became president of the Board of Health in September, 1890, and during his incumbency repeatedly urged the claims of Colburn for a share of the patronage, but with out avail, until April, 1892, when an order was given him. Prior to the delivery of the feed ordered, Mr. Reynolds procured a pair of scales and had them taken to the barn occupied as a stable for the Health Office team.

When the first lot of feed was delivered at the barn it was weighed by Mr. Reynolds in the presence of L. L. La Pierre and a native named Kaili. The first item in the bill was five bales of hay. The actual weight of the five bales was 1081 pounds, but Mr. Colburn had charged in his bill 1665 pounds, or more than 100 pounds per bale over the correct weight.

Five bags of bran were next put on the scales and weighed. The result showed 320 pounds, but Mr. Colburn's bill called for 350 pounds. Three bags of oats weighed 534 pounds, but were charged for at 600 pounds.

Before using the scales Mr. Reynolds had taken the precaution to have them examined and tested by the Marshal. They were found to be correct.

Mr. Reynolds communicated the result of the weighing to Mr. Dayton, the president of the board, and asked him to personally attend the weighing of the next bill from Colburn. This he consented to do. A direct request was made to Colburn on this occasion to send his bill with the feed, in order that there might be no mistake. This was done. At this weighing David Dayton, C. B. Reynolds, L. L. La Pierre and Kaili were present.

Six bales of hay were first put on the scales. They tipped the beam at 1204 pounds, but Mr. Colburn had charged for 1485 pounds. Five bags of bran, which weighed according to the bill 325 pounds, actually weighed only 314, and two bags of oats charged at 360 pounds weighed only 349. The prices had not been mentioned as they cut no figure in the matter and were not disputed, although they were high, as was usual for anything furnished the Government.

When the bills came in to be audited and allowed Mr. Reynolds refused to approve them on the ground that the weights were false, and continued to do so until the time of his resignation in December last. After that time and while Mr. Dayton was acting not only as President of the Board but also as its agent in Mr. Reynolds's place, the latter approved the bills and they were paid.

The above is a simple statement of facts which can be proven at any time. They are known to many now. John F. Colburn was Minister of the Interior under the late Queen and is now anxious to have the job again. He is a fair sample, along with the late Premier who used public funds in the hands of Consul McKinley to pay the expenses of his family abroad, of the kind of public servants the Monarchy foisted and would foist again upon the honest people of Hawaii.

MOONLIGHT CONCERT.

The Hawaiian band, under the leadership of Professor Berger, will give a moonlight concert to-night at Thomas Square, commencing at 7:30, with the following program:

- PART I. 1. March—"Victoria".....Diehl 2. Overture—"The Armourer".....Lortzing 3. Gavotte—"Circus Renz".....Flegge 4. Selection—"Il Trovatore".....Verdi

SUGAR MILL IN FLAMES.

THE PACIFIC PLANT ON HAWAII DAMAGED.

A Loss of Four Thousand Dollars to the Insurance Companies Incurred Yesterday.

The Pacific sugar mill at Kukuiahae, Hawaii, was partially consumed by fire yesterday morning.

The steamer Waialeale came in this morning a day ahead of time to bring the news of the disaster, and, from the vessel's officers the following facts regarding the fire were learned:

About 2 a. m. Thursday an alarm was sounded, and shortly after the mill was ablaze. The fire continued till 9 o'clock when, after a hard struggle lasting several hours, the flames were extinguished.

The fire is supposed to have been started by a spark from the smoke-stack falling into the cane walk, where a blaze was kindled, and a roaring fire started before being discovered.

Manager Forbes is quoted as having said that the damage cannot be repaired in less time than two months. The greatest loss, it is said, will be in respect of time in crushing the cane now waiting, and which, on account of the drought, is being harvested earlier than usual, and which cannot be allowed to stand without great loss by reason of shrinking and drying out.

The steamer Waialeale will probably return early to-morrow morning to the scene of the fire.

THE MACHINERY SAVED.

A call at the office of Schaefer & Co., the agents for the Pacific Mill, brought to light the following additional information.

The fire took place Wednesday morning, instead of Thursday, as was previously reported, and started in the boiler-room, assuming uncontrollable proportions before the night watchman realized what had happened.

The machinery is said to be practically unharmed, as only the woodwork is burned, and that, Schaefer & Co. think, can be replaced within two weeks. There was no other damage done and no cane destroyed.

CIRCUIT COURT NOTES.

The Hawaiian Jury Cases Ended and the Jury Discharged.

In the Circuit Court this morning Judge Cooper discharged the Hawaiian jury, as there were no further criminal cases for trial.

The case of Lilly Mahi, charged with deserting her husband, was put over to next term, pending the outcome of the divorce case.

The charge against I. Cockett for opium selling which was to have been tried this morning, was *nolle prosequi*.

The final settlement and receipt of creditors for the first and only dividend ordered to be paid to the creditors of the estate of Tai Loy by Judge Whiting has been filed by W. R. Castle.

In the equity case of Hawaiian Commercial and Sugar Company vs. Waikapu Sugar Company an appeal has been taken by the defendant from the recent decision of the Chief Justice. Carter & Carter for the defendants.

MORE OPIUM CASES.

Not Guilty of Striking Billy Patterson.

FLOTSAM AND JETSAM.

THE MIOWERA'S REPAIRS BEING MADE.

The Kuch Talbot in From the Sound—The Waialeale Arrives Ahead of Time.

The Matilda is taking in ballast at the Mail dock.

The marine railway is occupied by the steamer J. A. Cummings.

The W. G. Hall was sighted twenty miles out at noon, and will probably dock about 3 p. m.

The Waialeale loaded 20,000 feet of lumber this afternoon for the burned sugar mill on Hawaii.

The steamer Waialeale arrived this morning from Hawaii with news of the fire there yesterday evening.

The Waialeale leaves again this afternoon instead of to-morrow morning. She will take a cargo of lumber to repair the damaged mill.

The pile-driver was hauled alongside the dredger yesterday and righted by means of the derrick. The statement that the pile-driver sunk is untrue.

Robert Catton will be a passenger on the steamer Waialeale this evening. Mr. Catton goes to the scene of the fire in the capacity of an expert on machinery, in the interests of the insurance companies.

The Kikikat did not sail yesterday, as there was no wind, and her captain thought that there was little to be gained by towing to sea where he would be becalmed. The barkentine will sail with the first favorable breeze.

The bark Enoch Talbot, Captain Rice, arrived thirty-two days out from Puget Sound this forenoon, with a cargo of 1335 tons of coal. The bark met bad winds and rough weather during the first two or three days of her voyage, after which the passage was without incident. Her long trip is due solely to the fact that she is a very slow vessel.

The steamer Kaala is tied up at the Kinau wharf, where a new anchor has been put aboard of her this morning. The little vessel has been repaired after being repaired, and none would judge from her present neat appearance that she was so near to becoming a complete wreck only a few days ago. She will resume her regular run on the return of the C. R. Bishop.

The only full-rigged ship in port is the Beaconfield, which will sail for the Sound next Monday. The Beaconfield, it will be remembered, is the ship which was struck by lightning and lost her fore and main topgallant masts, shortly after leaving Newcastle for this port.

The fore topgallant mast was replaced at sea, and the main topgallant mast will not be put back till the ship reaches Puget Sound.

The Miowera is listed over almost as much to-day as when she lay on the reef. This is caused by the water having been pumped out of some of her ballast tanks in order to replace some of the strained and broken rivets, causing a leak. The coffer-dam is being built as rapidly as possible on the marine railway, but with all the expedition possible in making her repairs, the Miowera cannot be ready to leave here much under two months. During the past two or three days the crew have been kept busy taking stores and clean linen aboard, and doing everything possible to get her ready for sea as early a date as possible.

It was thought that as soon as the Miowera was brought into the harbor the men would be given more liberty in the matter of coming ashore, but they are still at it.

PASSENGERS.

DEPARTED. Per bkt Kikikat, for Puget Sound, Miss Herbert and two children.

C. B. WILSON'S BAD BREAK.

HE CAUSES EDITOR SMITH'S ARREST FOR LIBEL.

Mr. Smith Will Defend His Case and Put the Excitement on the Witness Stand.

This afternoon the notorious Charles B. Wilson, whose embezzlement of Water Department funds is a matter of record and whose position in the late Queen's household has been fully exploited in the Legislature and the native and white press of Honolulu, caused the arrest of the editor of the STAR for libel, in the hope, doubtless, of choking off further exposures of his dishonest and immoral character.

The suit will be defended in a way to make Wilson think that he has been in a railway collision, and among the witnesses Mr. Smith will summon to the stand is Mrs. John O. Dominis, formerly Queen of Hawaii, who will be asked to explain certain things known to the police and to a portion of the public. These things appertain to the bungalow and the place at Waikiki where Wilson was a favored guest.

In other words, there are lively times ahead for the Wilson-Dominis combination and the STAR will run with the hounds and not with the hare.

Following is the warrant: District Court of Honolulu, Island of Oahu, Hawaiian Islands.

COMPLAINT. Charles B. Wilson, being duly sworn, says: That Walter G. Smith is guilty of libel in the first degree by printing and publishing a certain article entitled "Ashford's Hard Facts" in a newspaper published at Honolulu, Oahu, on November 15th, 1893, called "The Hawaiian Star," which said article tended to injure the fame, reputation and good name of Charles B. Wilson, and to bring him into disgrace, abhorrence, odium, hatred, contempt and ridicule.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of November, A. D. 1893. C. B. WILSON. A. G. M. ROBERTSON, District Magistrate of Honolulu, Island of Oahu.

HENRY POOR'S CASES.

His Plea in Bar is Sustained in Three out of Four Cases.

Judge Cooper this afternoon filed his opinion on the plea in bar raised by counsel in the four embezzlement charges against Henry Poor. The Court says: "After a review of the evidence, I am of the opinion that it would support but a simple charge of embezzlement from the Hawaiian Government, and the records show that the defendant was acquitted on that charge in a court of competent jurisdiction. As to the indictment charging the embezzlement of money from V. V. Ashford, I do not see how I can entertain the plea, as the evidence tends to show that this was a separate transaction, and further, the parties are not the same as in the indictment under which the defendant was acquitted. I am, therefore, of the opinion that the plea of the defendant is good so far as the three indictments charging him with embezzlement of money belonging to the Hawaiian Government, and to those indictments the plea is sustained, but as to the indictment charging him with the embezzlement of money from V. V. Ashford the plea is overruled."

A Loyal American. Minister Willis made some inquiries of a caller the other evening about the recent history of Hawaii, and finally said: "I am here to carry out the policy of my Government, and I can say to you that no more loyal American could be found for the purpose."

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

Polynesian Encampment meets to-night. Company F had its picture taken yesterday. Leong Tong, an opium fiend, was sentenced to one month's imprisonment by Judge Robertson yesterday.

"If you don't read the STAR you don't get the news," was a very common expression on the streets yesterday.

The baseball game yesterday afternoon between the nines of the Adams and Philadelphia resulted in favor of the former by a score of 14 to 11.

E Devauschelle, who was found guilty in the Circuit Court on Thursday afternoon of selling opium, was sentenced by Judge Cooper yesterday to six months' imprisonment and \$500 fine.

In the matter of the guardianship of the minor children of W. McIntosh, deceased, Judge Whiting has made an order making an allowance to the mother of \$100 out of the principal of the estate.

LEWERS & COOKE,

LUMBER, BUILDERS' HARDWARE, DOORS, SASH, BLINDS, PAINTS, OILS, GLASS, WALL PAPER, MATTING, CORRUGATED IRON, LIME, CEMENT, ETC. HOTEL STREET.

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CALIFORNIA FEED CO., King & Wright, Props.

OAHU RAILWAY & LAND CO.'S TIME TABLE.



Table with columns for Train Name, Destination, and Time. Includes routes to Ewa Mill, Honolulu, and other local destinations.

METEOROLOGICAL RECORD.

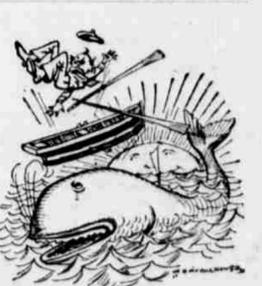
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Tides, Sun and Moon.

Table with columns for Day, High Water, Low Water, and other tide and celestial data.

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Now that the excitement is over, suppose you get one of those really and truly Steam Boats that we have just gotten in for the Christmas trade, to show your little boy (or some one else's), how it was done, you know.

KING BROS.

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