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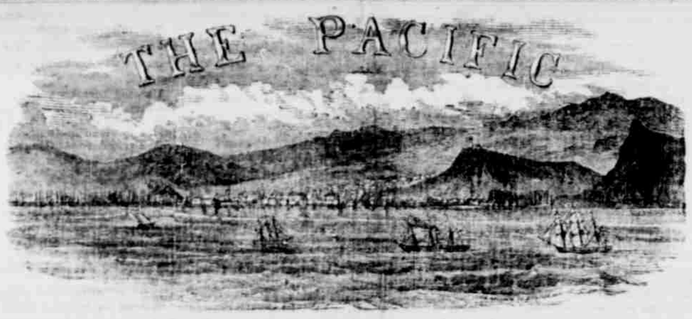
Commercial  Advertiser.

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The Steamboat.

BY OLIVER WENDELL HOLMES.

See how yon flaming herald treads
The rifted and rolling waves,
As, crashing o'er their crested heads,
She hurls her surly slaves!
With foam before and fire behind,
She rends the clinging sea,
That flies before the roaring wind,
Beneath her hissing lee.

The morning spray, like sea-born flowers,
With heaped and glistening bells,
Falls round her fleet on ringing showers,
With every wave that swells;
And, flaming o'er the midnight deep,
In lurid fringes thrown,
The living gems of ocean sweep
Along her flashing zone.

With clashing wheel, and lifting keel,
And smoking torch on high,
When winds are loud, and billows roll,
She thunders foaming by!
When seas are silent and serene,
With even beam she glides,
The sunshine glimmering through the green,
That skirts her gleaming sides.

Now, like a wild nymph far apart,
She veils her shadowy form,
The beating of her restless heart
Still sounding through the storm;
Now answers, like a courtly dame,
The reddening surges o'er,
With flying scarf of spangled flame,
The pharos of the shore.

To-night you pilot shall not sleep,
Who trims his narrowed sail;
To-night you frigate scarce shall keep
Her broad breast to the gale;
And many a forestall scoped and strained
Shall break from yard and stay
Before this smoky wreath has stained
The rising mist of day.

Hark! hark! I hear you whistling shroud,
I see you quivering mast—
The black throat of the hunted cloud
Is panting forth the blast!
An hour, and whirled like winnowing chaff
The giant surge shall fling
His tresses o'er you pennon-staff
White as the sea-bird's wing!

Yet rest, ye wanderers of the deep!
Nor wind nor wave shall fire
Those fearless arms, whose pulses leap
With floods of living fire;
Sleep on—and when the morning light
Streams o'er the shining bay,
O think of those for whom the night
Shall never wake in day!

Our Island Correspondence.

Review of Kauai and Niihau—No. IV.

COOK'S HARBOR, NIIHAU, August, 1867.

There are two lesser ranges of mountains, which tend to diversify the surface of the Island. The most important of these is the Haupu range at the eastern extremity of the Island, commencing at Kauai point and running to near Kolon. They terminate in the pass between the latter place and Nawiliwili. They are a curved line of ancient and extinct volcanic craters, with bold, beetling basaltic cliffs at their summits, and green rounded bases, that subside gradually in the verdant plains. The distinguishing feature in this chain is the lofty peak of Haupu, which with its base in the sea, lifts its rugged head into the clouds above the humbler peaks around it. The next is an isolated ridge lying near the sea, to the east of Wailua, called Honounou; it is of no great elevation. The Anahola mountain cannot be regarded as a separate range, although it shoots out in bold and peculiarly marked peaks and impinges on the sea near the village of Anahola. It may be regarded as a spur of the great central group, which cluster around Waialeale, although there is evidently a pass, where a near road can be made from Mr. Krull's to Hanalei. The pass is formed by the cleavage of the streams which fall into rivers from the Anahola to the Hanalei, their sources being contiguous, though their waters diverge widely as they flow toward the sea.

Kauai has beautiful, extensive and fertile plains. That of Waimea on the leeward side of the Island, extends from the Waimea river to the basaltic cliffs of Napali beyond Mana, and fronts the highlands of Niihau, and the bold wave like islet of Lihue. There are no running streams traversing it northwest of the Waimea river, but it is elevated but a few feet above the sea level; several springs arise at the base of the highlands, and water can be procured by digging a few feet anywhere on the plain. The soil is a dark brown deposite of alluvion from mountains and foothills, mixed with a vegetable mould, and resting on a soft conglomerate sandstone, composed of decomposed coral and beach sand, like that of Niihau, but softer and more recent in formation. It is rich and productive though sparsely populated, owing to the fact that the land is leased out on long terms to one individual, and there is no incentive or inducement to the natives to labor or cultivate the soil, because they have no abiding interest in it. They are nearly all dependants—no longer lords of the soil—they must be content to serve the stranger and eat their *poi* in bitterness. Another evidence of the short sightedness of our rulers, is not having a better and more equable land system in the early organization of a fixed government. There are many scattered cocoanut groves over this plain, which give it a decided tropical appearance, and under the lee of the lofty central chain of mountains, it enjoys an equable and warm temperature. Sea Island cotton, coffee, the grape and every tropical fruit flourishes. It produces excellent peaches, mangoes and guavas. The wine we tasted at Mr. Knudsen's, three years old, surpassed in flavor and body the best Burgundy or Xeres. Were this plain divided, according to the land system of the United States, into homestead tracts of forty, eighty or one hundred and sixty acres, their population and agriculture would produce prosperity, where barrenness and solitude now reign. Rectangular surveys, a *minimum* price for lands, pre-emption rights to settlers, and an encouragement of emigration, would have given these Islands since 1846 a million of inhabitants, where there are now 65,000. The unexampled growth and prosperity of the United States, is entirely owing to their land system. The surplus population of worn-out Europe can there find a homestead, sit under their own vine and fig tree, and worship God according to the dictates of their own conscience. Their star of prosperity will never decline, for they went to work in the right way, and they have continued in the right spirit. From whatever nation of Europe he may emigrate as soon as the plow turns the sod of his homestead, he becomes an American. He is at once a member of the great brotherhood of liberty. He becomes *nationalized* immediately. Higher, prouder, nobler than the Roman citizen, he becomes a Sovereign, in that government which he has chosen—he becomes a part of it. How different here where it might have been similar, by wise forethought in legislation!

The country from the Waimea river to Kolon is an elevated table land, with a red ferruginous soil. This extends from the green rounded bases of the lofty mountains to the sea. It is diversified and rolling, and cut through by several deep valleys, where streams of bright waters irrigate their ever flowing margins. The principal of these is the Hanapepe, which, coming out of a romantic and picturesque gorge, formed in the loftiest peaks in the central range, leaps through its mountain gateway of basaltic pillars, from precipice to precipice, nearly four hundred feet, into the bright Elysian valley below. From the clear sheet of pure rushing, leaping water above, it gradually expands in spray, whitening into foam as it descends, till it falls a never ceasing shower into the cool, bubbling basin below. Wonder and sublimity sit throned on the eternal hills, a rainbow of beauty tints the dark volcanic back ground—a radiant arch over the grand choir of musical waters that, in their gurgling, rolling, dashing chime, seems to be pealing the grand anthem of eternity. Standing in the huge shadow of the green foliaged mountains, and gazing upwards on the beetling cliffs and falling waters, feelings of awe are awakened and we involuntarily worship the beautiful in nature. We thought of various cascades and waterfalls of world-wide celebrity—of Torquemado, of Velino, of Montmorenci, of the almost unknown Serapequi in the deep wooded mountains of Costa Rica—but none can equal Hanapepe in the beauty, grandeur and magnificence of the scenery surrounding it. As we stood on the basaltic rim of the lake-like basin, where the mighty waters fall, and viewed the grand old mountains, the many hued foliage of the variegated forests, the rushing of the wild cascades, and then the quiet gliding of the stream through the peaceful valley, we drew forth our "charcoal" and sketched the following:

'Neath mountain shadows, kissing fern leaves, gushes
A river clear as truth's own cloudless light,
By giant pillars bursts and laughing, rushes
From cliff to cliff all sparkling, pure and bright;
And through the seven-fold arch in misty flight,
Showers in the gentle lake-like pool below,
As water voices shout in wild delight;
Then on it sweeps in gentle murmuring flow,
Where joy to labor sings—perennial harvests glow.

A veil of deep awe robes thee, beauteous river;
A grandeur tints thy loveliness, where sweep
Thy dashing waves resistless on forever,
From where basaltic columns guard their leap,
Down the dark gorge to thy base-cavern deep,
Which tremulous mirrors back the rainbow's beam;
On high the mountains in cloud drapery sleep,
Fringed by the radiance of the solar gleam,
Like hope's immortal tints that glow in life's wild dream.

Bright stream of beauty! Sweeping to the ocean,
By whispering palms, or laving tropic flowers,
Where breeze-tossed rice fields play with wave-like motion,
Thou gladest swiftly on life's joys sweet hours;
Thus life's swift river glides from youth's gay bowers,
On, sweeping ever toward dark Lethe's wave,
Hope's rainbow smiling through grief's tearful showers,
Is but a mockery o'er the ills we brave,
By stormy breakers to the last dread gulf—the grave!

The sun hath kissed thee with his rosiest smile,
And bathed his tresses in thy waters blue;
The moon at eve, like a celestial isle,
Hath glassed upon thy wave her loveliest hue;
The stars from heaven their spangled shadows view
In thy clear depths, and on their beauty gaze,
The flowers along thy banks their glories strew,
The zephyr through the woods in music strays,
And glad wild birds are warbling their enchanting lays.

Dwells there no being in this sweet wild place?
Is there no spirit of the spot to feel
Earth's loveliness and glory in each trace,
Which thy bright waters and their scenes reveal?
Does lonely contemplation here conceal
Her silent aspect and her treasured gems?
The bleeding heart cannot thy waters heal
In their soft murmurs? Thrones and diadems,
To thy blest solitudes, were toys and flowerless stems!

Behold, a sunny group of native daughters
Have sought to have their forms in thy clear stream!
They view their beauty in thy mirror-waters,
And trembling start as from a nightmare dream;
Helen, in undraped limbs, all classic beam,
And new Madonnas in each clear bright brow;
Their raven curls in the warm sunlight gleam
O'er perfect shoulders and o'er busts that glow
With the hot current of love's maddening flow!

They plunge into the wave and gladsome pealing,
The voice of mirth and laughter echoes round,
From crag and palisade in murmurs stealing,
It falls on the tense ear with softened sound;
The tall palms wave above, as light they bound
From rock to wave with graceful native motion,—
Amphibia—they dive—with swift rebound
Appear and swim with Neptune-like devotion,
For they have grasped the mane and played with hoary ocean!

Well, we will leave them there, and, ascending the perpendicular wall of red ferruginous tufa and augitic basalt, several hundred feet, will stand again on the grassy table land that spreads to Kolon. This is cut by the Wahiawa—a clear bold mountain stream with a deep narrow valley, but two miles from the gorge of Hanapepe. The scenery beyond this stream, and toward Kolon, is the most beautiful in the Island. The woods come down in points to the high *mesa*, and with these openings make a park-like appearance. The hills are green, grassy, wave-like and rounded. The next break through the *mesa* is made by the Waikaka stream; the next is made by the Waiheo—a bright mountain stream with a beautiful and fertile little valley; the next and last before getting to Kolon is the stream of Lawai, watering another beautiful little valley. Rising the *mesa*, three miles over the romantic highlands, brings us to the beautiful fertile plain of Kolon. It is well to remark here that the finest building material on the Island is on the side hill to the east of the Lawai Valley. It is a fine compact blue basalt, resembling in its texture primitive limestone. It cleaves in smooth angular fractures, and is the most durable of all building substances. Though exceedingly hard to work, it bears an excellent polish.

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