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THE PACIFIC COMMERCIAL ADVERTISER.

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THE LABOR QUESTION.

In our report of yesterday's meeting of the Planters' Labor and Supply Company will be found the full text of the letters which have passed between Mr. Gibson and the Committee of the Company since the date of the letter published in our issue of Friday last.

ROYAL HAWAIIAN AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY.

The annual meeting of this society was held on Thursday evening in the parlor of the Hawaiian Hotel. The attendance was not much better than last year, but the meeting and the discussions which occurred were enlivened by the presence of a number of gentlemen from the other islands, who manifested a warm interest in the fortunes and work of the society.

At 8 o'clock the chair was taken by His Honor Chief Justice Judd, the retiring Vice-President, who called upon the Secretary, Mr. Webb, to read a report which had been adopted by the Board of Management for presentation to the members at this meeting. The following is the report:

"The most important matter which the Board has been called upon to deal during its term of office is the choice of a site for the annual shows of the society. A site which could be permanently retained appeared to be a paramount necessity, the cost of erecting buildings for the show which had afterwards to be disposed of having been ascertained by the previous year's experience to be ruinous in its character. The Board selected one site after another as likely to be suitable, only to be disappointed by the difficulties which arose to prevent the society from obtaining them. A site at Kapiolani Park had always been open for the society's use, and just at the time when the difficulties as to the sites had left the Board in a condition of complete embarrassment a memorial was sent in by a number of the principal exhibitors of live stock, strongly urging the adoption of the Park as the place for the annual show, on the ground that it was by far the most suitable spot for the convenient and satisfactory exhibition of cattle and horse stock. Highly favorable terms being conceded to the society by the Trustees of Kapiolani Park, the site used at the last annual show was adopted, and such buildings as the Board felt itself in a position to erect were placed there.

"Experience shows that whilst the ground at Kapiolani Park is admirably adapted for a stock show, there are two serious drawbacks attending upon the selection. It is too far away from town to admit of a large attendance of the public, and it is for the same reason unsuitable as a locality for a horticulture show. Time and the increase of population which may be expected to come with it, will greatly reduce, the force of the first objection. A railroad must sooner or later connect the Park with the city. With such means of communication the society's show will be even more attractive at the Park than if close to town. The second difficulty must be solved in another manner. The Board has to recommend that in future the society's horticulture show be held in the city. With this they couple the suggestion that it be held at an earlier period of the year than that which has been found most suitable for the show of stock.

"It is with pleasure that the Board finds itself able to state, that in all departments of live stock, the show of 1884 was a distinct advance upon that of the previous year, both in regard to the number and variety of the exhibits and in regard to the aggregate quality. The exhibit of domestic manufactures was also very encouraging; though still far from being a full and fair exposition of the products of our island industries. In fruits, flowers, trees and vegetables, notwithstanding the difficulties imposed by the distance from town, the show compared favorably with that of 1883. Many of the exhibitors in these departments have, however, made known to the Board their disinclination to repeat their competition unless a different place be selected for the show.

"During the year the Board has undertaken the introduction of a number of in-

sectivorous birds, and of a considerable quantity of well-selected vegetable seeds.

"The birds were secured for the Board in New Zealand, where all the choicer kinds of European insect-eating birds, and especially the best song birds, have been assiduously acclimatized. Those selected for importation to this country were starlings, skylarks, blackbirds, goldfinches, chaffinches, thrushes, green linnets, gray linnets and yellow-hammers. The experiment has not been a fortunate one. Only goldfinches and larks were obtained for shipment. A great many birds died on the passage, and of those landed only 15 larks lived to be set free.

"The vegetable seeds were imported from Germany, and proved to be of excellent quality. They have been distributed without charge to all who were willing to cultivate them with care; over 1800 packages in all having been sent out. Experience has proved that the seeds of those vegetables which naturally belong to the temperate zone, when taken from plants cultivated here, do not produce so well as the imported seeds, and that the degeneracy increases from year to year if the native grown seed be depended upon. It does not appear certain whether the climate or the want of care in growing the seeds is answerable for this. The object of the Board in importing these seeds from Germany was to demonstrate this fact to those interested in the cultivation of vegetables in this Kingdom and so to lead them to the practice of constant renewal of seeds from the best sources.

"The Legislature has appropriated the sum of only \$1000 to assist the society during the current biennial period. This will probably prevent the completion of the building required for the society's shows and may render the society unable to continue the ample prize list which it has hitherto endeavored to maintain."

It was moved by Mr. F. A. Schaefer and seconded by Mr. R. A. Macfie, that the report be adopted, printed and circulated.

Mr. J. M. Horner, in supporting the motion, said that in listening to the report just read, and to some of those presented to the Planters' Labor and Supply Company, he had been astonished. When here thirty-four years ago he found the country an old country advanced in civilization and industry. Coming back now he found them just beginning to start as a new country. He spoke of the value of such societies as the Agricultural Society and of the sympathy he had felt with their efforts, although he had been unable to contribute to the show, even to visit it. There had evidently been a period of stagnation, but now some live man was "scratching around" and waking people up, and he hoped to see him supported.

Mr. Henry Waterhouse spoke of the fair he had visited while in the States lately and the work that was before them as stock-raisers if our fairs were ever to arrive at such standards. He expressed his earnest hope that the planters would come in and help.

The Chairman made an explanation at some length of the difficulties with which the Board of Management had had to contend in connection with the choice of a site for the society's shows, showing that they were driven, against the wish of a majority of them, to adopt the Park for that purpose. He spoke of the work done by the society and of the discouragements the Board had met with, and expressed his pleasure at seeing a number of their friends from the country districts present on that occasion.

Mr. Schaefer's motion was then put and carried.

The Treasurer, Mr. A. Jaeger then presented his report, as follows:

Statement of receipts and expenditures of the Royal Hawaiian Agriculture Society for the year ending 23d Oct., 1884.

Receipts table with columns for item and amount.

Expenditures table with columns for item and amount.

In regard to the small number (45) who had paid their dues for the past year, Mr. Jaeger stated that a large number had refused to pay because of the show being held at Kapiolani Park.

Hon. A. S. Cleghorn moved that the Treasurers' report be accepted and printed.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Schaefer and carried.

The Chairman then stated that the election of officers for the ensuing year was the next business. For his own part, he was not a candidate for re-election. He had worked willingly for the benefit of the society and felt discouraged by the present position of affairs. He thought that others ought now to take up the management of the society.

Judge Bickerton expressed in strong terms his sense of the services which had been rendered to the society by the Vice-President, a sentiment which he felt sure was shared with him by the members generally. He had seen Mr. Judd with his coat off, hard at work superintending the details of business at the fair, and had reason to note how much of the success of the day resulted from his exertions. He nominated him for another term of office, feeling sure that the society would lose by his retirement.

Dr. McKibbin seconded the nomination, and said that he wished all members of the Board, including himself, had been as energetic in the cause of the society as Judge Judd.

The Secretary put it to the meeting that, there being no other nomination, the rules be suspended, and Mr. Judd's election carried by acclamation, a proposal which was unanimously responded to.

Mr. Henry Waterhouse then moved that a hearty vote of thanks be given to the Vice-President for his services to the society.

Dr. McKibbin seconded the motion, which was carried by acclamation.

Mr. Schaefer then moved a vote of thanks to the officers of the society and the other members of the Board of Management, which was duly seconded and carried.

The election of officers was then proceeded with, the following being the result: Treasurer, Mr. A. Jaeger; Secretary, Mr. Webb; Committee-men, Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, Hon. L. McCully, Hon. Chas. H. Judd, Dr. R. McKibbin, Messrs. R. F. Bickerton and Chas. Lucas.

Mr. Webb remarked that that he had sought to find another candidate for the secretaryship because he believed that prejudices against himself had been injurious to the society. He had been unable to find anyone who would undertake the work involved, and in any capacity his services were always at the disposal of the society. His personal connection with the formation of it was one of the most pleasant incidents connected with his short sojourn in the Islands.

Judge McCully urged co-operation on the part of country members to extend the membership of the society, and interest all country residents in its work. He reported that the Board of Management, having awarded to Baron von Mueller, of Melbourne, Australia, its silver medal for his many services to this country, he had received a very pleasing letter from the Baron, with promises of continued contributions of seeds.

It was resolved that Baron von Mueller's letter be incorporated with the proceedings of the meeting.

Mr. Walsh and others spoke, criticising in a friendly spirit the management of the society, and offering suggestions, the value of which was acknowledged with thanks by the Vice-President. After a lengthy conversation,

Hon. A. S. Cleghorn moved that some gentleman in each district of the Islands be asked to act as agent for the society, and secure an increase of members.

The motion was seconded by Dr. McKibbin, and warmly supported by several members, and unanimously carried, those present who reside in the country districts promising their active co-operation.

On the motion of Mr. Schaefer, seconded by Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, it was resolved that the selection of the country committees be made by the Vice-president.

After some further conversation, the meeting adjourned.

The Vice-President has appointed the following gentlemen as local committees of the society (subject to their acceptance of the task):

- KAUAI: Hanalei: Mr. R. A. Macfie, Jr. Kapaa: Mr. G. H. Dole. Lihue: Mr. W. H. Rice. Koloa: Dr. J. K. Smith. OAHU: Waianae: Mr. J. K. Richardson. Ewa: Mr. Cecil Brown. Waialua: Mr. S. N. Emerson. Koolauloa: Mr. W. C. Lane. Koolaupeko: Mr. M. Rose. MAUI: Lahaina: Mr. H. Turton. Wailuku: Mr. W. W. Goodale and Mr. W. H. Bailey. Makawao: Mr. E. M. Walsh and Mr. W. R. A. Brewer. Hana: Mr. A. Unna. Ulupalakua: Mr. F. P. Hastings. MOLOKAI: Mr. R. W. Meyer. HAWAII: Kohala: Mr. W. J. Bredie and Mr. E. C. Bond. Waimea: Mr. F. Spencer and Mr. S. Parker. Hamakua: Mr. Horner and Mr. W. H. Rickard. Hilo: Mr. H. C. Austin and Mr. D. H. Hitchcock. Puna: Mr. R. Bycroft. Kau: Mr. J. A. Buck, Mr. C. N. Spencer, and Mr. Fuller. Kona: Mr. H. N. Greenwell and Professor Muller.

COMMERCIAL.

TUESDAY, October 28.

The principal business of the past week was the annual meeting of the planters and their agents, of which a full report will be found in another column. Local firms have profited by the personal visit of the plantation principals to town, the latter having availed themselves of the opportunity of providing the necessary material to open the new season.

The latest news from the Coast is to the 13th instant. The following will tend to send the planters to their respective fields of labor with a feeling of hope for the future:—

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 17, 1884. Messrs. —, Honolulu, H. I.—Dear Sirs: We are happy to report a decided reaction in the sugar markets of Europe and the United States, owing, probably, to an expected reduction in the estimates of the best crop. If so, further improvements may be looked for. Since our last, prices for refined have advanced in New York fully 3/4c per pound. Raw sugar have not yet received the benefit of the rise. Consumption goes on at a very full rate, and the statistical position continues to improve. We remain, dear sirs, Yours, faithfully, WILLIAMS, DIMOND & CO.

The arrivals from foreign ports comprise the S S Alameda from San Francisco, steam-bark Geo S Homer from New York, bark Martha Davis from Boston, Stmr Australis from the Colonies, steamer W G Hall from San Francisco. The departures were the brigine Claus Spreckels, bkine Discovery, and stmr Australis for San Francisco, and bark Emerald for Port Townsend. The Inter Island steamer Kilauwa Hou grounded last week in Hilo harbor, and knocked out her rudder post. The stmr Lehua lost her foremast in a rain squall while crossing the Hawaiian channel. Particulars in local columns. Shortly after the arrival of the S S Alameda about 4,000 tins of opium were seized, causing a loss to some unknown persons of about \$40,000. The S S Alameda sails for San Francisco on Saturday next, and the P M S S City of Sydney is due the same day from San Francisco.

The following is Messrs. Williams, Dimond & Co.'s monthly circular to hand per Alameda. SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 15th, 1884.

DEAR SIR,—Our last circular was dated Oct. 1st per Mariposa.

SUGAR.—New York advices of the 2nd inst., state that the Market continues weak owing to the demoralized condition of the European markets, causing holders to be less firm in their views, and while there is no pressure to sell cane sugar the sales are made at a market decline. Centrifugals 98 per cent test have been sold as low as 57-16ths.

The statistical position is constantly improving however, and a rising market would quickly follow any indications of an improvement on the other side of the Atlantic. Stock in all hands is reduced 7500 tons for the week and is now 77,000 tons under the highest point. Under date of the 31st inst., our exchanges report the market steady and stronger with sales at 5 1/2c per 98.

The improvement thus developed appears to be due wholly to more encouraging advices from Europe, Beet showing an advance of about 6d. from the lowest point with an upward tendency. The opinion seems to prevail that the recent estimates of M. Licht are somewhat exaggerated, and that the yield of the present crop will not be as heavy as anticipated.

Telegraphic advices of yesterday report, 96 per cent Centrifugals @ 5 9-16ths. Changes of year as compared with previous year are: Stocks 66,900 tons more; receipts 170,000 tons more; distribution 115,000 tons more; prices 2 1/2 cents lower.

The Manila market continues to hold up wonderfully well. Latest advices report Ex. Superior @ £10 10s. C & F, or about 60 cents per 100 lbs higher than same grade duty paid in New York.

RICE.—We quote price to day 4 1/2 cents cash @ 4 1/2 cents 60 days. The cause of this sudden drop from last quotations is owing to the free receipts per Alameda and W. G. Irwin which were somewhat unexpected.

FLOUR.—G. G. Extra Family, \$4.40 f.o.b., El Dorado, \$3.15 f.o.b.

BRAN—\$18.50 f.o.b.

OATS—Fair \$7.10, Medium \$1.30, Choice Feed \$1.60 f.o.b.

BARLEY—No. 1 Feed \$1 to \$1.05 per ctl.

GRYD BARLEY—\$21 to \$21.50 per ton f.o.b.

HAY—Compressed Wheat and oat \$15 to \$16 f.o.b.

LIME—\$1.50.

CHARTERS.—English advices again quiet and dull, and there is little enquiry for tonnage. Last charter an Iron ship for Flour 40s., Liverpool direct.

Rain commenced here on the 12th inst., and has since continued at intervals. No doubt some damage has occurred to Grain not yet under cover.

EXCHANGE.—London 60 days sight, \$4.81, New York sight, 1/2 per cent.

Yours, faithfully, WILLIAMS, DIMOND & CO.

PORT OF HONOLULU, H. I.

ARRIVALS.

TUESDAY, October 21. Stmr Waimanalo, Nelson, from Waimanalo. Stmr Mokoli, McGregor, from a circuit of Molokai via Lahaina and Lanai. Stmr Rainbow, from Koolau. Stmr Kawallani, from Koolau.

WEDNESDAY, October 22. Steamship Alameda, H G Morse, 6 days and 22 hours from San Francisco. Stmr James Makee, Freeman, from Kauai, via Waianae and Waialua. Stmr Mana, from Honoumuliuli. Stmr Ka Mo, from Laupahoehoe. Stmr Luka, from Honokaa.

THURSDAY, October 23. Am steamer Geo S Homer, J B Perry, 134 days from New York, via Rio de Janeiro.

FRIDAY, October 24. Stmr Waimanalo, Nelson, from Waimanalo. Am bark Martha Davis, 125 days from Boston.

SATURDAY, October 25. Stmr Kilauea, King, from Maui and Hawaii. Stmr Likiepke, Lorenzen, from Kahului, Fukoo and way ports, Molokai. Stmr Waimanalo, Nelson, from Waialua. Stmr Kapiolani, from Ewa. Stmr Kilauwa Hou, McDonald, from Hawaii and Maui.

Schr Mannokawal, from Koolau. Schr Kaukaou, from Kohala. Schr Emma, from Koolau. Schr Halakala, from Pepeekeo.

SUNDAY, October 26. Stmr C R Bishop, Davis, from Hamakua. Stmr Iwani, Cameron, from Kauai and Niihau. Steamship Australis (Brit), R C Ghest, 15 days from the Colonies. Stmr Lehua, Weisbarth, from all ports from Paahau to Onomea, Hamakua. Schr Waiehu, from Waialua. Schr Rob Roy, from Koolau. Schr Kapiolani, from Waialua.

MONDAY, October 27. Hawaiian stmr-schr W G Hall, Sars, 8 days and 4 hours from San Francisco. Stmr Waimanalo, Nelson, from Waimanalo. Schr Nettie Merrill, from Lahaina.

DEPARTURES.

TUESDAY, October 21. Stmr Kilauea, King, for Hawaii and Maui at 4 P.M. Stmr C R Bishop, Davis, for Kukuiahae and Honokaa, at 12 M. Stmr Lehua, Weisbarth, for all ports from Paahau to Onomea, Hawaii at 5 P.M. Stmr Kapiolani for Ewa. Stmr Waimanalo, Nelson, for Waimanalo. Stmr Kokuauou, for Hamakua. Stmr Kapiolani, for Waialua.

WEDNESDAY, October 22. Am schr Claus Spreckels, Drew, for San Francisco at 12 M. Stmr Planter, Bates, for Maui and Hawaii at 4 P.M. Stmr Iwani, Cameron, for Kauai and Niihau at 5 P.M. Schr Nettie Merrill for Lahaina. Schr Pauahi for Hamakua. Schr Rainbow, for Koolau. Stmr Mokoli, McGregor, for a circuit of Molokai, via Lahaina and Lanai, at 5 P.M.

THURSDAY, October 23. Stmr Waimanalo, Nelson, for Waimanalo.

FRIDAY, October 24. Stmr James Makee, Freeman, for Kauai, via Waialua and Waialua, at 9 A.M. Schr Mana for Honoumuliuli. Schr Mary E Foster, for Hamoa, Maui.

SATURDAY, October 25. Am bark Emerald, Gatter, for Port Townsend. Schr Luka, for Kukuiahae.

SUNDAY, September 26. Steamship Australis (Brit), Ghest, for San Francisco.

MONDAY, October 27. Stmr Likiepke, Lorenzen, for Kahului and Molokai at 4 P.M. Am bark Discovery, Perriman, for San Francisco. Schr Kawallani, for Koolau. Schr Waiehu, for Laupahoehoe. Schr Kilauea, for Waialua. Schr Luka for Kohalaiaie.

MEMORANDA.

The steamship Alameda, Capt Morse, sailed from San Francisco at 3 p.m. with 79 passengers and 1100 tons cargo. Had for first 24 hours northerly winds; thence to 21st fresh SW winds and head sea. On the 22nd had N E trades. Oct 18th at 10:50 p.m. passed steamship Mariposa. Arrived in port at 10 a.m., 6 days and 22 hours.

PASSENGERS.

For Hamakua, per C R Bishop, Oct 21—A W Headlie, Dr Herbert, A Ross and W H Cummings for Lahaina, Maalaea, Hilo, Hawaii, per Kilauea, Oct 21—T J L Kaulikoa, F P Hastings, F M Makee, Mrs Chas Stillman, W S May, T Gay, J K Kaula, Guy Wodehouse, G D Fresh, W S Horner, J A Beckwith, C B Sneyd-Kynnersley and wife, and about 100 deck. From San Francisco, per Alameda, Oct 22—J O Cummings and wife, Col C H Judd and wife, Miss E P Judd, Miss Julia Judd, Miss J Harvey, Mrs M Kahai, E Richardson, E R Miles, Miss May M Emerick, Mrs T W Robinson, W P Toles, J Campbell, John Cassidy, John W Forbes, S W Wilcox, W G Wood, Miss E M Smith, Mrs Anna A Long, Geo Sturey, Mrs W S Hanks and infant, Mrs J E Hanford, Fred Layton, Miss Hatch, W M Coffee and wife, Miss E C Harris, Dr E G Webb, C H Brewer, W E Marshall, Edwin Freshfield, Rev A F King, S G Gule, Miss B Parke, W H Cornwell, Brother Joseph Schlipper, B H Judd, B Kuehn, 30 steerage and 8 Chinamen. From Kauai via Waialua and Waialua, per James Makee, Oct 22—R A Macfie, Jr, W R Lawrence and 30 deck. For Maalaea, Kau, Kona, and Kau, Hawaii, per Planter, Oct 21—J Costa, Mrs W F Dunn, Mrs W J Maxwell, G Snyder, Dr P McCray, Dr J Brodie, J Kataldi and 60 deck. For Nawiliwili, Waimea and Koloa, Kauai, per Iwani, Oct 22—Col Z S Spaulding, W W Wilcox, Mrs W E Rowell, Sen, Mrs Johnson, and 2 children. For E Marshall, G C Potter, A Dreier, Capt H Wolters, W J Brainhall, and 90 deck. For San Francisco, per brigine Claus Spreckels, Oct 22—J W Bradley and wife. For Kauai, via Waialua and Waialua, per Jas Makee, Oct 24—J L Richardson and wife, Miss E K Richardson, M D Monsarrat, F W Glade, Mrs Lane and daughter. From Kahului, via Kaunakakai and Nuu, per Likiepke, Oct 25—J W Davidson and wife, Mrs H Cornwell, Mrs M C Widdfield, Rev Father Gregory, Sister Bonaventura, Capt E L Robbins, R Smith, Miss Mary Silva, Joken, Ah Man and Ah Que. From Maui and Hawaii, per Kilauea, Oct 25—F M Butler, W M Tuttle, T W Lee, O T Shilpman, T S Southwick, G W Kalopapala, G W Kauka, R Lillie, Kaki, Miss L Crockett, Miss C Mahole, A Grosser, Miss Martin, Mrs F Jones and servant, W Y Horner, Mrs Silverberg, Mrs D R Vida, J Durnett, D Kamaiopili and 113 deck. From Hamakua, per C R Bishop, Oct 26—Miss L Louis, K Hanua, E M Hanua, H Hanua, and 68 deck. From Kauai, per Iwani, Oct 26—H F Glade, V Knudsen, C H Wolters, S Hanua, J Brent, Mrs A Anka, Mrs Kikuau, J K McKenzie, Mr Strenbeck and child, N Austen, 6 Chinese and 111 deck.

BORN.

VOELLER—In this city, Oct. 21st, to the wife of J. B. VOELLER, a daughter.

TOUSSAINT—In this city, on the 24th instant, to the wife of L. M. TOUSSAINT, a son.

GIFFARD—In this city, on the 27th inst, to the wife of WALTER M. GIFFARD, a son.