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 hand.
 Tourists can make the round trip by this
 route in seven days, giving them four days for
 the land trip to and from the Volcano.
 Fare for the round trip from Honolulu to the
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 ining our bedding and upholstery, as we
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OUR SAN FRANCISCO LETTER.

From Scrutator.
 Our correspondent, who is well
 known here, sends us the following
 newsy letter, dated the 15th inst.

OUR 'FRISCO DIARY.
 The visiting Hawaiians have thor-
 oughly enjoyed the Coast. Mr. John
 A. Cummins and family have been
 on the move since their arrival, to the
 Geysers, in Monterey, Yosemite and
 all points of interest here. Mr. Cum-
 mins for the first few days practised
 the Hawaiian custom of taking a
 carriage to make a journey of a few
 blocks, but soon became a convert to
 'Frisco customs, and cultivated pedes-
 trianism.

Mr. William H. Cornwell, who re-
 turns in this steamer, has also availed
 himself of all the attractions of city
 life, but, I presume, goes back with
 the largest portion of his susceptible
 heart intact. The day after his ar-
 rival he mounted a Blaine hat, which
 was subjected to so much vicissitude
 that Mr. Cornwell was compelled to
 exchange it for the regulation black
 silk.

Colonel George Macfarlane will
 steer south on the Mariposa, and will
 probably be accompanied by a num-
 ber of excursionists, who propose
 wintering in the Island.

SOME LITTLE EXCITEMENT.
 You may imagine that things are
 abnormally dull in Honolulu and
 that this town is in a frightful
 state of excitement, and that is just
 where your gentle error would come
 in. I had been here two days and
 only saw one round arm fist-fight be-
 tween a shyster lawyer and an ex-
 poundmaster, on Montgomery street,
 and that only lasted a minute, the
 poundmaster scoring one off the red
 of his opponent. It is true that
 Lieutenant Crosby of the Morrow
 Guard was shot down on Saturday,
 the 4th instant, by a brother club
 member. This was due, however, to
 liquor, and not politics, unless it be
 conceded that there can be no politics
 without liquor.

PARTIZAN HATS.
 Every Democratic butcher-boy has
 a brown plug hat. They cost only
 \$4, so you can imagine what they are
 worth. The Blaine men wear white
 hats, that is, some of them, but a
 white hat is so ordinarily worn in
 warm weather that it is not conspic-
 uous, whereas the brown "bell top-
 pers" present a most curious and un-
 American appearance.

ABOUT POLITICS.
 You will all want to know the gen-
 eral feeling about the Presidential
 election. When one hopes ardently,
 one fears proportionately, but if ever
 any man's election to the White
 House were assured, to my mind that
 of Blaine is. So many of us have
 been heart and soul Blaine men for
 eight years, that perhaps we are blind
 to Cleveland's strength, but it seems
 impossible that Blaine can be beaten
 as things look now.

You will remember how disgusted
 we all were in Honolulu, we who were
 familiar with the sorrows of Ka-
 kaako and Molokai—when it was an-
 nounced that Dr. O'Donnell was go-
 ing East with two lepers to exhibit
 them. Well, of course it was all
 buncombe, and he did not take them.
 But for all that he will probably be
 the next Coroner of this city. He
 has rapped at the gates of this office
 persistently for twelve years to my
 knowledge and the coroners of the
 past have made such unsavory re-
 cords that it is really believed the
 medical agitator will be elected this
 time. Public opinion changes very
 suddenly and people of all shades of
 politics seem to think that the man is
 in earnest, and will make a rousing
 good coroner.

A LADY ATTORNEY A CANDIDATE.
 By the by Clara Foetz, the female
 lawyer, the Portia of the Pacific, was
 a candidate for School Director but
 missed the nomination. There was
 considerable feeling in her favor
 however.

C. R. BUCKLAND.
 I am sure you will all be glad to
 know that C. R. Buckland, late of
 Honolulu, is making a great success
 of the *Merchant*. If you look at the
 last issue which arrives with this let-
 ter, you will see how much attention
 he devotes to the Island interests,
 and the importance of their com-
 merce. His forte seems to lie in tab-
 ular statistics, tables of comparison

and the tracing out of commercial
 future from present and past facts
 and figures. All this is very labori-
 ous but he has wisely made
 the *Merchant* a bi-monthly instead of
 a weekly paper, and it is now such a
 careful digest of trade that it is great-
 ly in favor among all the business
 houses. He shows in the last issue
 that the Hawaiian trade in the United
 States comes next to that of England
 in value, a fact that many Honolu-
 lians probably never suspected. It
 is gratifying to see that though ab-
 sent from the Islands, their interests
 are still his, and I can add without
 the faintest suspicion of flattery, that
 Mr. Buckland has developed journal-
 istic ability in San Francisco with
 which he never was credited in
 Honolulu, because there was no
 scope for its exercise.

LUSCIOUS MEATS FOR THE HAWAIIAN HOTEL.
 At a butcher stall this morning I
 saw "Hawaiian Hotel, Honolulu"
 marked on a lot of fat carcasses
 packed in gunny. The butcher, Mr.
 A. Geault, said there were four
 sheep, three lambs specially fattened
 for the Hotel, and eighty pounds of
 mutton chops. My mouth did not
 water particularly, but I thought
 how nice it would be to dine with
 Joe Tilden on the evening of the 22nd
 October.

SCARED VITICULTURISTS.
 We have had two days' rain, which
 has hurt the half gathered grapes;
 that is there is danger of mold; but
 vineyardists squeal quicker than
 farmers on the slightest pretext for
 putting up prices. The grape crop
 is immense this year.

THE NEW ISLAND STEAMER.
 The James G. Blaine, your new
 steamer for the Inter-Island Steam
 Navigation Company, made a suc-
 cessful trial trip round the bay last
 week, steaming eleven knots very
 easily. She leaves here with a party
 who are the guests of Mr. Foster, on
 Thursday, the 16th instant, and you
 may look for her a day or two after
 receiving this. She will go down
 under steam with a full cargo of
 freight and general merchandise. The
Merchant will issue a special circular
 to its Honolulu subscribers, contain-
 ing a description of the vessel, and an
 account of her trial trip.

ABOUT BANANAS.
 By the by, in closing let me say a
 word to shippers of bananas. Send
 only the choicest varieties. A large
 shipment arrived from Mexico the
 other day, and they were infinitely
 superior to the ordinary Honolulu
 fruit.

THE SUGAR MARKET.
 The latest sugar reports from New
 York show that sugars are steadier
 and buyers more active; prices 1/2
 cent better than last week.

The Prime Meridian Conference.

Washington, Oct. 11.—At a meeting of
 the International Prime Meridian Con-
 ference to-day a resolution was adopted
 providing that longitude shall be counted
 from the Meridian of Greenwich in two
 directions up to 180 degrees—east longi-
 tude plus and west longitude minus. The
 following resolutions were adopted:
 The conference proposes for adoption
 a universal day for all purposes for which
 it may be found convenient and which
 shall not interfere with the use of local or
 other standard time, where desirable.

An adjournment was taken till Mon-
 day, when the following resolution will
 be considered:
 This universal day is to be a mean solar
 day, to begin for all the world at the mo-
 ment of mean midnight of the initial
 meridian, coinciding with the beginning
 of the civil day, and the date of that meri-
 dian is to be counted from zero up to
 twenty-four hours.

Steam Between Mexico and Asia.
 The San Francisco *News Letter* says:
 The vessels at the disposal of the Mexi-
 can Pacific Navigation Company for
 monthly services between Mexico and
 Asia, are: The Mount Lebanon, 2410 tons;
 Moray, 2185 tons; Lennox, 2051 tons, and
 City of Paris, 3068 tons. The latter was
 expected to leave Hongkong in the latter
 part of August, but an official in the
 Company states that, owing to the pre-
 valence of cholera in some parts of China
 and Japan, and to the outbreak of hostilities
 between France and China, they were
 compelled to postpone the opening of the
 service until early in October, when the
 Mount Lebanon is to leave Hongkong for
 Yokohama, Honolulu, Mazatlan and San
 Blas.

FOREIGN CORRESPONDENCE.

SAN FRANCISCO, October 15, 1884.
 The returns of the Ohio and West Vir-
 ginia State elections are the topic of this
 morning's dispatches. Ohio went Re-
 publican with 15,000 majority, but West
 Virginia was consistently Democratic.
 There was great excitement over the Ohio
 election, which is supposed to test the
 feeling of the Union, and although the
 majority is less by several thousand than
 in 1880, at the time of Garfield's election,
 the enthusiasm of the Republicans is
 enormous, and they already feel sure of
 success.

A DYNAMITE EXPLOSION.
 On Saturday, the 12th of October, there
 was an explosion of dynamite in the Par-
 liament building at Quebec, and great ex-
 citement and wild rumors prevailed.
 Several precautions have been taken to
 guard public buildings since the explo-
 sions, and trains and steamers from
 Quebec are carefully watched by detec-
 tives in the hope that the dynamiters may
 be apprehended.

The four men suspected of causing the
 explosion ranged from 40 to 21 years.
 They all occupied the same room, in
 which were two double beds. Madame
 Nolin, the landlady, not understanding
 English, could not make anything out of
 their conversations. All seemed to be
 well supplied with American money,
 which, it seems, they had some difficulty
 in getting exchanged for Canadian money
 to pay for their board. On Saturday
 afternoon, a guard in the Quebec Central
 Depot, at Levis, stated that he had heard
 men speaking on Friday in reference to
 an intended explosion in front of the
 station, and that he at once communi-
 cated what he had heard to the police at
 Quebec and Levis.

South America is again in a feverish
 state. A dispatch from Panama, dated
 the 14th, states that a number of Revolu-
 tionists seized the British tug Morro last
 night and compelled the Captain to take
 her to Costa Rica. The steamer Alajuela
 was also captured by the Revolutionists,
 and the tug Morro was subsequently re-
 leased. The steamer Alajuela is well
 armed. The local Government made no
 resistance to the rebels.

Farther south we hear from Lima that
 the Government has a dispatch announc-
 ing the taking of Trujillo from Caecists
 after heavy fighting. No particulars.

The latest advices from the Franco-
 Chinese seat of war are to the effect that
 Admiral Courbet is re-inforcing the
 French squadron before Tamsui, Formosa,
 and preparing to renew the attack upon
 that town. He has sent Admiral Lespes
 back to Kelung.

A letter from the French Consul at
 Shanghai to the senior European Consul
 at Paris is published. The writer prom-
 ises that the French will not attack
 Shanghai or Woosung unless China
 violates the law of neutrality.
L'Intransigent, Henry Rochefort's
 paper, asserts that the Government has
 just received alarming news from China
 and Tonquin, which it is withholding
 from the public.

Africa is the coming continent. The
 future discussions of the world are going
 to arise from difficulties in sharing
 African soil, and they are apparently to
 be settled on African territory.

The English Cabinet Council have con-
 cluded to adopt measures forthwith to stop
 the audacious encroachment of the Boers
 in Africa. This decision, the *Times*
 says, is received with satisfaction by the
 people of England, who have watched
 with growing impatience the insults
 which have been heaped upon the British
 flag by a people whose insignificance is
 their best protection.

At the South Africa Conference held
 here to consider the violation of the
 treaty by the Boers, a firm and decisive
 policy was advocated. A resolution was
 adopted demanding that the Government
 enforce the Transvaal treaty.

It is reported that the British Cabinet
 have determined to send to the Cape of
 Good Hope General Wolseley to head an
 expedition to "crush the Boers, after he
 has successfully settled affairs at Khar-
 tout.

The Egyptian War is as far from set-
 tlement as ever, and the French Minis-
 ter Ferry has stated that he is prepared
 at any sacrifice of national sensitiveness
 to make Germany his ally in compelling
 England to do France justice in the final
 parcelling out of poor distracted Egypt.

Advices from Dongola state that the
 Mudir is sending out spies to assist the
 Nile expedition. Sheiks from Khartoum
 in the Shendi district, with 15,000 fol-
 lowers, have submitted to the Mudir.
 Sheik Keir advises that a depot be es-
 tablished at Debbeh, and undertakes to

procure camels and cattle therefor. Re-
 ports are current at Dongola that Muhiide
 is quelling a rebellion at Jebeldair. News
 of the Mudir's victory at Korti has
 reached Khartoum, and greatly encour-
 aged the garrison of that place.

The Canadian contingent has reached
 Assiout, and goes to the front forth-
 with.

Advices from Suakim state the rebellion
 is increasing. Two fresh tribes have
 joined El Mahdi. Osman Digma has
 abandoned his attack upon Suakim, and
 is now engaged massacring women and
 children, and stealing cattle belonging to
 the Ammar tribe.

The news of the massacre of the Stew-
 art relief party was the latest horror of
 the Egyptian War.

Advices from the Nile state that after
 the stranding of the steamer on which
 were Colonel Stewart and his men, three
 natives came on board and stated to Col.
 Stewart that he was only a short distance
 from Morawee, which they could easily
 reach on foot, and where they could ob-
 tain assistance to float the steamer. They
 offered to guide them there. Colonel
 Stewart and two companions started for
 the village, and when they had traveled
 out of sight of the steamer a number of
 men sprang from an ambush and mur-
 dered the party. The rebels then at-
 tacked the steamer, killing all on board
 except four.

A dispatch from Dongola says that two
 Mudirs, spies from Khartoum via Kordo-
 fan, report that El Mahdi is sending two
 large armies to attack Dongola, one com-
 ing across the desert and another along
 the Nile.

Now, besides the proposed intimidat-
 ion of the Boers, and the pacification of
 the Sudan, where the news that a camel
 corps is camping at the Pyramids is cer-
 tainly very picturesque, comes a new
 African question on the scene, the settle-
 ment of conflicting commercial interests
 on the Congo river—that Mississippi of
 Western Africa with which Henry Stanley,
 the explorer, made us all familiar in his
 "Dark Continent," and of which country
 he was once reported to have been
 crowned King Stanley I. by the natives.

Bismarck, writing to the French Am-
 bassador at Berlin, on Sept. 30th, con-
 sidered it expedient to issue invitations
 forthwith to the six nations interested in
 the Congo country, including the United
 States, and that the other powers, includ-
 ing the Scandinavian States, be invited
 later to share in the deliberations, to se-
 cure a general assent. This evidence
 that France is disposed to submit to the
 views of Germany, produces bad impres-
 sions in Paris, and fears are expressed
 that Germany is duping France.

The demand of Granville in a letter to
 Bismarck, qualifying his acceptance of
 the invitation to the Congo conference,
 limiting the programme of the conference
 to the regulation of commerce in the
 Congo country, and not to trench upon
 the dispute as to territory in West Africa,
 has received the adhesion of Holland,
 Portugal and Italy. Until this matter is
 settled the holding of the conference is in
 doubt.

A dispatch from Brussels states that
 Henry Stanley is going to Berlin, prob-
 ably for a conference with Bismarck on
 Congo affairs.

THE CHOLERA EPIDEMIC.
 In spite of the official statement of a
 Madrid newspaper that the cholera epi-
 demic is at an end, this morning's dis-
 patches from Rome, give us the statistics
 of the last twenty-four hours 140 fresh
 cases of cholera and 104 deaths reported
 in Italy, including 57 cases and 43 deaths
 at Naples.

A Paris paper, the *Memorial Diplo-
 matique* states that Queen Victoria has
 requested Gladstone to submit to the
 Cabinet, for their consideration, the ques-
 tion whether special powers cannot be con-
 ferred upon the Prince of Wales, to en-
 able him to participate in the conferences
 of the sovereigns of Europe.

THE STATUE OF LIBERTY.
 The immortal Bartholdi Statue is still
 "waiting for a boost" as one of the comic
 papers had it.

A vigorous, well-conceived and tho-
 roughly practical effort is now being put
 forth by a society in the East, composed
 of the descendants of men who took part
 in the war for American independence,
 and known as the Sons of the Revolu-
 tion, to raise funds for the completion of
 the pedestal of the Bartholdi Statue. The
 society has appointed a special committee
 to co-operate with the American Commit-
 tee of the Statue of Liberty. President
 Arthur has been asked to head a \$1 sub-
 scription list, and every man, woman and
 child in America is invited to send in \$1
 or more. The committee of which Wm.
 O. McDowell is Chairman, G. W. W.
 Houghton, Treasurer, and Austin Hut-
 tington, Secretary, is at present sharing
 the rooms of the American Committee, at
 55 Liberty street, room 32, New York
 City, where contributions should be sent.