

# Hawaii Holomua

PROGRESS.

The Life of the Land is Established  
in Righteousness.

HONOLULU, DEC. 8, 1893.

## TOPICS OF THE DAY.

This afternoon, according to the Advertiser, the great and almighty Provisional Government will meet in open session and perform a concert over the beautiful theme of "turn the rascals out."—Why are the taxpayers suddenly allowed to be present at a session of the councils who disburse—and squander—the taxes paid? Why is it that the public suddenly is admitted to the confidence of our self-appointed rulers? Why is the Star-chamber system to be abandoned and the vulgar herd allowed to listen to the words of wisdom which are to float from the lips of such statesmen as Emmeluth, Waterhouse and Smith? The reason is obvious, the answer is near. Mr. S. M. Damon the minister of finance, has long ago declared his policy in regard to the dismissals of government officials. He has in spite of the vituperations of the organ of the annexation club upheld his policy, and he has received the unanimous support of the respectable element in the community in his determined—and so far successful effort of keeping the government service clean and efficient. That the minister thereby has become obnoxious to the boodlers who howl for office as a reward for joining the P. G. party after all danger—if there ever was any—was over, is natural, and is realized by anybody familiar with the characters of the supporters of the present "good" government. But in spite of everything Mr. Damon has stood firm and until to-day he has showed the community that he is able and ready to run his department without any assistance from the mob who believes that "might is right." The open session to-day and the public discussion of the subject of removals are instituted for the purpose of intimidating and bulldozing the Minister of Finance. If the schemers who are fathering this move will succeed, has yet to be seen.

We shall remind the men who constitute the Advisory Council and who nearly all are members of the Reform Party that it has always been strenuously advocated by the leaders of that party that a legislative body has no right to interfere with the duties of the executive. Mr. L. A. Thurston, the great prophet of the Reform Party, followed always the principle set forth, and although it might have been to the advantage of his party as a political move he decidedly refused to make the removals or appointments of government officials a subject for legislative debate or a reason for impeachment. If to-day the councils in their abject fear of the mob they have armed, out-vote Mr. Damon and force him to take a step against which he has openly declared himself, their action will amount to a vote of want of confidence in

the minister of finance, and the country must be prepared to see him resign his office, and thereby the main-prop of the government fall.

Politically, we do not desire to see anything better, because we know that without Damon the government is a pronounced failure. But the policy of this paper and of the loyalists is not the policy of "rule or ruin" and we shall deeply regret to see Minister Damon give up the helm of the ship of state which he holds temporarily and hand it over to some irresponsible party who neither will possess his ability and integrity, nor have the confidence of the community. We are willing to believe that there are a well-meaning and intelligent majority in the councils—it has to be seen this afternoon if good sense and common decency shall rule, or if the bulldozing actions of irresponsible blatherskites shall control.

## STILL SPYING.

Of course as long as the present learned Attorney-General and the present peculiar Marshal are in office, the system inaugurated by them in employing all the loafers and bummers in town, to act as spies under the nice title as "special officers" will not be abated. The fear and lack of courage which apparently are the leading features in the characters of the great officials mentioned make it necessary for them to place the town on a Russian basis, and have every private citizen who hasn't sworn allegiance to the P. G. watched, and his movements reported. A few nights ago one of the marshal's pets tried to enter the premises of one of the "suspected" citizens—for the purpose of using the telephone. He was prevented from doing so and evidently considered himself very much injured. A few nights ago, the premises of another "suspected" gentleman had been entered during the night and the intruder had attempted to look into a bedroom occupied by a lady of the family of the "suspect" the evidence of this attempt being proven through foot prints (shoes number 19) in a box with violet plants placed under the window. Last night a gentleman (presumably also a suspect) living on the corner of Alapai and Kinau Streets was pleasantly (?) surprised by finding two spies leaning over his fence and evidently watching the proceedings in his house, and making up a report for Mr. Hitchcock's breakfast. We are not bloodthirsty and we don't like to injure anyone, but if peaceful unoffending citizens are to be hampered and annoyed in this manner, we suggest that they fill some cartridges with coarse salt, and whenever an impertinent intruder is caught prowling, give him a dose which if directed at the proper place will prevent the "sitting down" of the spy for some days to come. Of course a man like the Marshal, who according to the Wundenberg trial, will deliberately call on a "friend," accept his hospitality, smoke the "pipe of peace" under his friendly roof, and then go on the witness stand for the purpose of damning the man who befriended him

by repeating or manufacturing or at least exaggerating the conversation held under alleged friendly circumstances cannot be expected to act except as a chief of spies, of prowlers, and of all sorts of contemptible vermin.

## AN AMERICAN MAFIA.

"The Queen never will be restored to the throne, for she will be shot within 24 hours, and every man who takes office under her will be shot also—we have men secretly sworn to do it"

Such was the remark made to the writer by a brainless young sprig of the "citizens reserve," such is the tenor of numerous open threats of the *conaille* composing the annexation club, the citizens reserve and the American league organizations that pretending to be patriotically American are in fact veritable nests of socialism, fenianism and *mafia*.

To their shame be it said that these *mafias* are organized under men calling themselves Americans, men who heretofore have been regarded as respectable and intelligent citizens: Hatch, Castle, Wilder, Jones, Smith, McGraw, Emerson, and so on, whose names will pass into history as knavish pirates in a plot to steal a nation and compel America to receive the stolen goods.

A recent article in the HOLOMUA warned that a wave of insanity had struck Honolulu in accordance with a well known theory of cycles. The malady appears to be growing worse, for certain it is, that all the men and women concerned in the overthrow of the Queen, the terrorism and misgovernment of a P. G. military despotism, and the present display of hostilities against the United States, all act like people demented.

Dole, Damon, Smith, Thurston, are men who have acted faithfully to the country that gave them birth and under whose flag and sky they have prospered. There is no excuse in the past, none in the present, and there will be none in history for the grave error which these men have committed. A greater outrage and a greater blunder against a people has never been committed in modern times to equal the filibustering plot of U. S. Minister Stevens and his cabal of renegade Hawaiian citizens. The *mafia* applaud and support, for they enjoy the plunder they are receiving and the prospect of demanding more, but the Hawaiian nation cries out in indignation and shame.

We will do Messrs. Dole and Damon the justice to believe that they had deluded themselves with the idea that they were acting for the best interests of Hawaii nei; their foresight was deficient. They had not figured out the disadvantages of annexation to Hawaii which is now so clear to most of our merchants and sugar planters. They had not realized that a republic was almost impossible and utterly undesirable. They did not know that a military despotism would be offensive to the intelligence of the country and would in time bankrupt the finances. They failed to realize that a revolution of a small cabal by using the forces of a foreign power, could have no standing in international countries, that such a revolution unsupported and de-

nounced by a large majority of the people, could only hold itself in place by a mercenary military power. They forgot history which has taught us about Praetorian Guards and Janizaries and the dictatorial dangers of a military rule upon which a civil government depends. They never dreamed that their wild and untenable schemes would evoke a grim monster in the shape of alien clubs, reserves and leagues, under which apparently passive titles, there lurked a crazy, morbid hankering for all the benefices of government; that these leagues, etc., upon which the government depends for existence would soon become masters of the situation, and compel their leaders to continue the pirate's dance.

No, Dole and Damon blundered, and we have a sufficiently sneaking respect for them yet to believe that they realize their error, and of their own accord would gracefully submit to the inevitable hand of justice which the genius and honor of America will soon let fall on Hawaii. But they are the slaves of the grim *mafia* leagues which they themselves evoked, and thus they dare not.

There is no doubt that there does exist a set of murderous ruffians among these several pseudo-American organizations who are encouraged by their more discreet associates and leaders, and who constitute an actual American *mafia* with villainous plots and designs. As long as the P. G. continues, they have a soft snap, therefore, their defiant attitude against the United States when they begin to realize that their days of pirated billets soft snaps and revelry with Hawaiian taxes is soon to end.

It is but fair to say, however, that these organizations are not genuine American, but are composed mainly of Portuguese, Germans and the riff raff of all nations. There are some good Americans among them who ought to know better, and many bad Americans. But all honest and decent Americans stand aside with the Hawaiians and the royalists and look in with silent contempt and disgust at the nasty mess of affairs which the P. G. gang have evolved in this country, and anxiously await the day when Uncle Sam shall do his duty by restoring legitimate government, peace and order.

## A P. G. Fable.

A high P. G. official with one foot in his Political Grave predicted the extinction of the monarchy.

"What makes you think so," enquired the Political Grave, cautiously reaching upward along the leg and extending a new drift to undermine the other foot.

"It is my duty to think so," said the high muck-a-muck proudly.

"My good friend," said the Political Grave, taking in the other leg and rising up about the neck, since your reason is at the service of your sentiments and your judgement is tributary to your conscience, you don't appear to have much use for brains, I'll take that head of yours, please."

The spot is still pointed out to Thurston tourists.

The Champion went outside this morning for target practice, and will return to the harbor this evening or to-morrow morning.

## AS AMERICAN SCHOOL TEACHERS SEE US.

Of a Different Stripe to Oleson,  
Hyde, Bishop.

## The Hawaiian Monarchy Restored

The long expected decision of the Hawaiian question, based on the facts presented by Mr. Blount the commissioner sent to the islands to investigate matters, has at last been announced. According to Mr. Blount, annexation was supported by but a small portion of the people and almost exclusively by aliens. The attachment to the Queen and the old government was great among the natives, and the chances of a beginning of the provisional government would have been small if they had been subjected to the test of a vote, unless the natives were excluded from a vote by the landing of troops from the U. S. warship *Boston* and that force was brought to bear by U. S. Minister Stevens. Secretary Gresham thinks therefore that it is only an act of justice to restore Queen Liliuokalani or her heir to the throne.

By this action our government while doing an act of substantial justice secure all the real advantages that annexation or protectorate can give and secures them with the consent and even cooperation of other nations, and without any responsibility not easily met. With annexation on the other hand there would have been enormous responsibilities—political, financial, military and moral—such as neither our form of government, nor our political habits, nor our geographical situation would permit us to meet adequately.—*The School Journal*.

A prominent sugar planter who robbed his benefactor, was afterward confronted with the proof of his crime, and so strong was his terror, that his liver turned white in a single night.

Mr. Sweet Pea C. Jones, one of our horticultural specimens, (tanical name, *Lathyrus Stinkadora*) will be nipped in the bud in the chilly atmosphere of Washington.

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