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The handful of veterans of the American civil war residing in Honolulu will celebrate Memorial Day as it has been here, and in the United States, for years past. While Honolulu claims to be thoroughly American in many respects it is surprising that the day is not more generally observed. At this season of the year business is not so thriving that employers could not well afford to close their stores and give the clerks a full holiday.

Notwithstanding the reports that harmony reigns supreme at the meetings of the various squads of the Citizens' Guard, in which the military scheme is discussed, there is a general feeling of dissatisfaction among the members at the prospect of a change.

This organization is largely made up of business men and clerks who, for the protection of their homes and families, offered their services to the government in the belief, of course, that they would be assigned to duty near their homes and at times when trouble was threatened the government by its enemies. When the danger is past the members wish to be free from any kind of discipline until again called upon to protect lives and property. With a majority of the guards it is their simple wish to be allowed to act as special policemen and for that purpose the body sprung into existence. The men have no wish to don uniforms nor to be obliged to report for drill whenever it is the wish of the commanding officer to have them. They fail to see the necessity for all of this and argue that if they wish to become experts at drilling, or if they are not particular as to the locality they are to protect they might as well join the national guard and be done with it.

According to the law, an auctioneer pays a license of \$500 per annum to carry on his trade in Honolulu. In addition to this, he pays one half of one percent on the amount of sales during the year. Wholesale houses, and retail we believe, pay according to the value of sales during the same period, the smaller the sales the smaller the license fee.

We may suppose that a firm does a business which would call for a license fee of \$250. Sometimes the proprietor finds himself confronted by a large assortment of goods that are so far in the rear in the matter of style that he considers it necessary to dispose of them in the quickest, and best manner. The idea of an auction strikes him favorably and he mounts a clerk on a stool and provides him with a hammer and a loud voice. The goods bring better prices, as a rule, than if sold over the counter and the proprietor retires to his home at the close of the day conscious of having had good returns without additional expense.

But how stands the man who makes auctioneering his business; the man who pays five hundred dollars a year to the government whether he holds one sale a year or a hundred? He suffers an injustice either through discrimination or lack of watchfulness on the part of government officials. His sales are affected by auction sales by men who do a legitimate business three hundred and ten days in the year should adopt methods out of

the ordinary on the other days, for the purpose of disposing of his wares. The laws governing the conduct of the auction business on the islands were made, evidently, to protect the men who carry on what they call legitimate business, and the license fee was set at a high figure because it is pretty generally believed that the auction sales injure to a certain extent the regular business of a place as small as Honolulu. But is it just to have it a case of "I'll tickle you, but keep your hands off me."

Wanted—A Happy Man.

An Eastern epologue relates that a great king was sick, and that his physicians declared that nothing could cure him but the shirt of a perfectly happy man. Messengers were sent through the land to find this rarity, and when a likely person was discovered the envoys asked him if he wanted anything. The answer was "Yes;" the "happy man" wanted something—another field, a little more wealth, another a son—there was always some deficiency that showed the imperfection of the happiness. At length the searchers came to the verge of a wood and found a man dancing. He seemed poor but merry. Questioned closely, he would not admit that he wanted anything; he had quite enough, and was very jolly. "Then," said the messengers, "give us your shirt to heal the king." The merry dancer rejoined: "I have no shirt." The king died, and the problem of how to cure the king remained unsolved. Today there are thousands who, like this king, through sickness, are not happy, and there are a countless number who have become happy by removing their sickness through the timely use of the world-famed Sequah Remedies. Sequah's Cure for indigestion and kindred ailments is infallible. Try it, always gives satisfaction.

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LOCAL & GENERAL NEWS.

A prominent Chinese merchant says that business is awfully dull in Chinese quarters.

Our shipping reporter is somewhat new to the business, but as will appear elsewhere he seems to be getting there all the same.

The Committee of Arrangements on the celebration of Queen Victoria's birthday will hold an important meeting in the morning.

Among recent importations the arrival of Florida phosphates is found. The local fertilizing works will soon render this unnecessary.



TO CELEBRATE

Her Britannic Majesty's
BIRTHDAY!

Her Majesty's Commissioner and Consul General

AT HOME

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