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MORE ABOUT OPIUM.

Late exchanges from the Orient contain much about the reports of the British royal commission on opium. The commission finds "it proved beyond reasonable doubt that the prevalence of the use of opium is founded, first on the universal tendency amongst mankind to take some form of stimulant with which to comfort or distract themselves, and, secondly, on the widespread popular belief in the medical efficacy of the drug." The Celestial Empire quotes and comments on the report as follows:

Looking to the whole evidence, we find a marked preponderance on the side of the view that the common use of opium in India is a moderate use leading to no evident ill effects. Among the Sikh community in particular, which is almost entirely agricultural, the habit of opium-eating is widely diffused. This community is distinguished for hard work, energy and thrift. One of the witnesses quoted here, Dr. H. Martin Clark, of the Church Missionary Society, says:—"While it does no good, it does not appear to do the slightest harm, the people who use it are hale and hearty, fit for work and exposure, and the habit seems to interfere neither with their longevity nor their health." So, again, treating of the Marwaris, a tribe of traders, we learn that they "are shrewd, enterprising and successful in commerce, and that their use of opium does not cause any loss of intelligence or business capacity." So large employers of labor state that they are never brought into contact with the effects of the habit, and many of the high officers of government state that in their long experience the use of opium has never come to the front as a reason for dismissal or degradation. The commission found likewise, the use of opium was not an incentive to crime, and that its effects in inducing insanity were actually nil. Also (page 150), the commission found that taking the evidence as to acceleration of death caused by the habit, and its prolongation in certain cases, the balance, if any, seemed to be in favor of the latter. In fact, on the whole, the report clears the ground from under the old theorists. Taken as opium is in India it is positively without pernicious influence, and there is no need to interfere with its use further than has been done. Sensible people in China have practically come to the same conclusion. The statistics of Shanghai, where opium-smoking is perfectly free, and the surroundings such as to encourage its use, do not show any evil result. When we look back over the numbers of natives with whom we come daily in contact, and many of whom we have known as opium-smokers for years, we have to arrive at the same conclusion, and wonder how few of them have dropped out of the current. Most of us could count the cases on the fingers of one hand. This is the more marked when, amongst the comparatively small numbers of Europeans we come in contact with, we note the number who have gone under or had to be sent away, for alcoholism. Such is human nature, and we cannot alter that, and taking this into consideration, the report of the commission goes far to prove that opium is the most satisfying and least dangerous of the long list.

In view of the revelations of the British commission, it can hardly be immoral to advocate the abolition of discrimination against opium amongst the stimulants favored by mankind. Especially when the efforts to keep it out of the country have proved abortive

and productive of official scandals without number, and the Government is put to a large expense in the vain attempt to suppress the traffic which, since it is inevitable, ought to pay its due proportion to the public treasury.

OBSERVATIONS.

An authority on jewelry estimates that there are at least \$200,000,000 invested in the United States in various kinds of gold and silver ornaments.

A compositor in yesterday's paper made Mr. Gladstone poke his oar into American affairs. It was Armenian reforms over which the grand old man lately gave a burst of his eloquence.

The political prisoners on the reef and exiles in San Francisco and elsewhere will all wish the Attorney-General a pleasant voyage to New Zealand and sincerely hope he will never return.

A correspondent writes: "The Advertiser reports a 90,000 ton crop at Chino, Cal. What is this, 90,000 tons sugar or 90,000 tons beets. I believe the latter is correct, equal to about 9000 tons sugar." It beats us to arbitrate the points.

According to the returns of the tenth census of the United States, made in 1880, the United States was the wealthiest of all nations, Great Britain being second; and there is no doubt that the last fifteen years have greatly widened the gap between the Americans and the English.

And now it is reported that Attorney-General Smith is to take a trip to New Zealand to study the land laws of that thriving country at the expense of the taxpayers of this. There are people even now unkind enough to say that it would not hurt him to stay at home and study the laws of his own country before seeking legal knowledge elsewhere.

The quarantine regulations adopted at different ports on the other islands against steamers from Honolulu seem to be of the go-as-you-please order. A general law on quarantine, which would define the duties of officials and lay down the regulations to be observed throughout the islands, might be worthy of the attention of the Legislature at its next session.

A strange state of affairs exists in this Christian community, and the spectator is compelled to hold his breath and gaze in wonder while the most radical element of the party in power advocates the release and pardon of all political offenders and a section of the conservative church-going element clings as sternly to its vindictive program as does death himself to a mummified negro.

AN OFFICIAL NUISANCE.

Board of Health Garbage Dump in a Populous Suburb.

While cleansing the town the Board of Health maintains one of the worst nuisances itself. What is the garbage dump in a salt water swamp down on South street? The locality is thickly built with dwellings right to the margin of the dumping ground. Many householders therefore have their yards cleaned of refuse only to have the stuff thrown down, again, along with loads from other parts of the town, within a few yards of their dwellings. Not much more than a broom

handle's length from some of the houses are heaps of rotten leaves and vegetables, with other decaying matter, deposited there by the wagons of the Board of Health. Yesterday afternoon a dead horse decorated a slight elevation in the middle of the mess. It looks ridiculous to see residence premises undergoing a scraping of all decaying matter only to have it deposited within close range of the occupiers' eyes and noses. There could not be a worse pestilence-breeding place imagined, yet it has been established by authority of the Board of Health.

Complaining residents say there is a nigger in the woodpile. They say that the leaseholder of the plot gets the garbage from the Board to make new land. Several houses are pointed out which have been erected on land so built up. Having a depository of city refuse in a residence quarter is such a scandalous state of affairs that it is a wonder indignation meetings have not been held on the subject.

NOTICE.

ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE undersigned for 90 days or over are requested to make immediate settlement. Those not complying by Sept. 15th, will have their accounts placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

A. R. KOWAT, D. V. S.

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Notice.

HARNESS AND SADDLERY.

ON ACCOUNT OF THE UNDERSIGNED retiring from business, and in order to close out the Stock, opportunity is now offered to the public and up to the 31st day of August to purchase the following at very low rates: Sets of Harness; Saddles; Bridles; Halters, Carriage Whips; Lap Robes etc., etc.

W. E. FOSTER,

By M. P. Robinson, his attorney in fact.

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ALL PERSONS INDEBTED TO THE UNDERSIGNED are requested to settle the same on or before September 1, 1895.

ORDWAY & PORTER, Honolulu, Aug. 12, '95. Furniture Dealers.

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Baseball Association.

ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 24TH, AT 3:30 P. M.

KAMEHAMEHAS VS. UNKNOWNNS.

— AT —

BASEBALL PARK.

Admission 25 Cts.

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DURING MY ABSENCE ON KAUAI during the next two months all orders for milk or wood from Waianae Ranch will have the careful attention of Mr. Schelesser who will be at the ranch office to receive telephone messages from 6:30 to 8 P. M. All orders for either milk or wood will be promptly filled.

D. P. R. ISENBERG.

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LADIES SHIRT WAISTS AT \$1.00 EACH. Pith hats have been reduced from \$2.00 to \$1.00 each, other goods reduced in proportion.

A. BARNES.

Republic Building. 78-td

THE LARGEST WAGON IN TOWN!

I am now prepared to Move Furniture in better shape than any other expert concern in the city, as I have a WAGON large enough to move a whole household of Furniture at one load.

I have the latest PIANO MOVING APPARATUS and guarantee to move Pianos without scratching, to any part of the city for \$2.50. I am a rustler and don't care who knows it; am always to be found at my Stand,

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IF I move my Furniture SO FAST that it makes my competitors SWEAT to even look at me.

Yours for Business only, WILLIAM LARSEN.

Timely Topics TO WAIANA'E.



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Trains will leave Honolulu at 9:15 a. m. and 1:45 p. m. Returning will arrive in Honolulu at 3:11 p. m. and 5:55 p. m.

ROUND TRIP TICKETS:

1st Class, \$1 75
2nd Class, 1 25

F. C. Smith,

58-td Gen'l Pass. and Ticket Agent.

Insect Chaser.

To save plants, flowers, trees, etc., from the destruction of insects, you will do well to communicate with the undersigned as he manufactures a Pure Vegetable Compound free of any poisonous substances; therefore, it does not kill the insects, but keeps the same off the plants, and will not injure the plants or fruits. "Roses," "Grapes," etc., will not suffer any longer but grow healthy and pretty by the use of the Compound and to convince the public of its success, I shall perform a trial order or application without charge.

N. BREHAM, Liliha street, near School. 16-td

Wm. G. Irwin & Co. (LIMITED).

Wm. G. Irwin, - President and Manager
Claus Spreckels, - - - - Vice-President
W. M. Giffard, - Secretary and Treasurer
Theo. C. Porter, - - - - Auditor

Sugar Factors and Commission Agents.

AGENTS OF THE OCEANIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY OF SAN FRANCISCO, CAL.

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H. E. Walker, Esq.

Agent "CLEVELAND BICYCLES."

DEAR SIR:—It is a pleasure to be able to add my praise to the justly renowned merits of the CLEVELAND BICYCLES. I have ridden a CLEVELAND for more than a year, and have never had occasion to find the slightest fault with its Mechanism or Stability. I heartily recommend the CLEVELAND to all persons who contemplate the purchase of a good wheel. Sincerely yours, REUBEN A. DEXTER.

H. E. Walker,

81-td Sole Agent.

Medeiros and Co. TAILORS.

Hotel Street, Arlington Block.

Prices Reduced

and we offer suits and trousers at prices that will be within the reach of everybody. We carry a select stock of goods, and guarantee a perfect fit and first class work. Those who really desire to be dressed neatly and natty, and cannot afford to spend much money on their clothes will do well in calling at our store before going elsewhere.

S. DECKER, Manager.

Most people make their wills before they die, and some of them are great curiosities in their way. Among the many curious legacies made lately is that of a Christiana man who directs that his whole fortune shall be expended in bicycles. A Norwegian newspaper which does not give itself up to the comic element relates that a Dutch lawyer, named Nikolson, bequeathed the whole of his property to trustees, to be employed in the purchase of bicycles for the use of children attending school, while part of the money is to go towards paying the teacher to train the boys in bicycle riding.

The validity of the will has been disputed by the sons of the testator, who refuse to acknowledge it, so that it is still a question of doubt whether the children will reap the benefit of the strange bequest. That the testator was sincere enough, and that he recognized in the wheel untold blessings which might have escaped the observation of minds of less acumen, the concluding portion of the will should go to prove. It says:—

I have always found a bicycle capital protection against the importunity of those people who persist in stopping you in your walk to spin a long yarn in the hot sun or in the biting east wind. My machine, unlike a horse, never shied once; and in my drives I have had no need to intrust life and limb to the tender mercies of a coachman."

Now that lawyer had good hard, solid sense and plenty of it, in fact, a good deal more of it than most lawyers are credited with, and yet not more than many boys and girls in Honolulu have, for are there not many of the latter who are spending their whole fortunes in purchasing a bicycle and they are wise in spending their money on something that will give them their money's worth every time.

The bicycle of the Khedive of Egypt is a gorgeous machine, almost entirely covered with silver plating but if anyone wants a duplicate of it we can furnish it, or if something "English you know" is wanted we can supply similar machines to those used by the Prince of Wales' boys and girls, all of whom are expert riders.

But for common every day people like those who reside in Paradise, we mean the Hawaiian Paradise, the Monarch is the machine to buy. It gives you better value for the money than any other make, and we can furnish it in any style and price. We have received by the Australia the largest consignment of wheels ever brought to the islands, and also a complete line of extra fittings. If any portion of a Monarch wheel gets broken or out of order we can replace it at a moment's notice at factory prices.

Mr. T. V. King, who arrived by the same steamer, will have charge of the mechanical department of our bicycle business. His large experience in that line enables us to guarantee satisfaction in all work entrusted to him.

The Hawaiian Hardware Co. Ltd. Opposite Spreckels' Block, 607 FORT STREET.