COMMERCIAL.

HONOLULU, JANUARY 30, 1884.

Since last writing business has moved forward of general much has happened, but nothing, although wholesale trade has brightened up somewhat. The increase of the duty on which will be to the complexion of the speculators of the country, has undoubtedly a tendency to invest the capital, which is at hand but that of importers. The incoming cargo only is arriving in fair quantities, and we do not think the stock being received at this port during the past month, or the last Eastern mail, has had a depressing effect upon business generally the bearers of the prices realized in sales being received with different local feelings and hopes that the buyers of goods in question. The talk of news relative to action on the Reciprocity Treaty by the American congress is not looked on with favor and the hopes of the Western Reciprocity treaty by the latter party is regarded as forbidding evil to the hopes of Hawaii. The islands here, however, more good than in Kingston, and "the darkest hour is generally the brightest."

Preparations for the week ending of the Steamer Rio in favour with Chinese passengers and the here Kalakaua, better Wai Ki Ki, and steamer Zealandia will be a good deal of business. The departures since last writing consists of the barque Consuelo and bark Jane A Falkinburg for San Francisco, the former for the Sandwich Islands and the most other Islands for the Colonies.

Arrivals we present the usual monthly letter from Boston, Wilder, Hall & Co.

SUGAR—We note a more cheerful outlook in this staple, the New York advices quote Cuba Centrifugals as steady at 5¾c, with the impression that operations have been reached although not yet to be reported by sworn, unless, as usual the Dutch operation is settled in Congress.

Grocery grades of Hawaiian are offering in this market at 5¼ to 5¾.

RICE—S. I. Rice—Our receipts for 1883 were about 1,100,000 lbs, including the returns from the 3,000 bags locally imported, of which about 1,000 bags were from the remains of 1882 which were offered bags. Prices ruled low nearly all the year and would have advantageously been to have sold in lots of 50,000 bags by rail to various parts beyond our market. This trade can only be secured by low prices in competition with the produce of small Carolina and Louisiana. The rice from the ship "Ida", from Bangkok, is quoted 5. Present value 4¾ cash to 4¾ 30 days, according to grade.

MOLASSES—The large decline in the value of molasses based by the sugar manufacturers has brought into, instead of the usual distillation from cane to molasses, in which brands skins have been made, with some cheaper kind of molasses, which is imported by grocers in quite trifling. The quality does not suit the requirement of families.

WOOL—Market continues inactive. We quote South-ern fine wool, 18@20c.

FREIGHTS—Are the difficult article. Last charter to Boston ship Ida of Cork, 2. Sailings show no disposition to make new engagements.

EXCHANGE—London 60 Sight, 60 Ad. New York sight, eighth, prem.

PORT OF HONOLULU.

Arrived.

Jan. 29—PRES Rio de Janeiro, Smith, from San Francisco.
29—HR Mikahala, Hoapili, from San Francisco.
29—PRES Zealandia, Dollner, from San Francisco.
29—Ship Jane Lord, Newcomb.

Sailed.

Jan. 29—PRES Rio de Janeiro, Smith, for Hongkong.
29—HR Mikahala, Hoapili, for Kona and Kau.
29—Ship Jane Lord, Newcomb, for Boston.

Vessels in Port.

Aloha, H I R M S Rodgers, Hillebrand.

MERCHANTMEN.

Am Ship Abner Phillips, Cummins.
Am bkt Mary Dodge, Wilcox.
Haw bk Kate, Smithies.
Br bk Alnwyckshire Castle, Harris.
Haw S Kinoole, Nicholas.
Am bkt Reindeer, Winding.
Haw bk Kaulana, Kipu.
Am barge F W Lewis, Turner.
Br bk Bell, Isle.

MEMORANDA.

Report of P M S S Zealandia, Webber, Comm.—Left San Francisco at 3 p m, Jan 22th, and discharged pilot at 11 a m; had fine weather with moderate and fresh winds to the 26th, when the weather became overcast with heavy gales and rain, which continued with increased violence, lasting till the 28th, when the weather became fine and clear; sighted land at 8.30 a m on the 29th; took pilot on board at 9.30 a m, and made fast alongside wharf at 4.30 p m.

IMPORTS.

From San Francisco, per Wm G Irwin, Jan 29—A full cargo general merchandise, provisions, live stock, etc.

EXPORTS.

For San Francisco, per Consuelo, Jan 28—2000 pkgs sugar, 36 kgs awa, 500 kgs rice, 70 pkgs junk; value $67,000.

PASSENGERS.

From San Francisco, per Wm G Irwin, Jan 29—Miss Lucas, Frank Lucas, W Frazell, E F Crawford, Mrs Judge, Miss Judge, J Eno, A J Doody, J Monte, F E Powers, M Mendelson, R Stevens.

For Maui and Molokai, per Lehua, Jan 30—Isaac Fisher, wife and 2 children, R D Mossman, Rev Father Damien, J McDade.

From Maui and Hawaii, per Mikahala, Jan 29—J K Kanalos.

From San Francisco, per Kalakaua, Jan 23—Miss R Hoage, H Kidder and wife, Mr Temple, Mr Hildreth, D Daniel, G Green, J Aphoon, D King.

From Kauai, per James Makee, Jan 29—Dr Sage, R Rowe and wife, Miss Rowe.

From Lahaina, per Kilauea Hoa, Jan 29—Mary Brown, Dr Lidgate and family, W Norton, W Weaver, J Gartenberg, J Roberts, R Baldwin, Miss Hixson, J M Kaneakua, J Kaulia.

From Kona, per Desiderat, Jan 27—W H Dowsett, Rev S Kowell, Geo Lyman.

From Windward Ports, per Kinau, Jan 30—C Afong, Capt Belknap, W Gear, W F Allen, A A Spencer, J Gallagher, S W Kinney, W F Frazier, Capt Thos Cornwell, C S Mellor, A Koch, Rev C Orange, A Fleming, Dr and Mrs Brodhagenerick, J H Hapuolion, W Y Hanson, J Kirkwood, Kinau.

From San Francisco, per Zealandia, Jan 29—W Nixon, S Naughton, S Parris and wife, Mrs S Meyers, Mrs Dix and daughter, A E Little and wife, G Wood, H Fredrick, J Hoeber, J Lindsay, Peter High, T I Goodwin, D McGrath.

For Colonies, per Zealandia, Jan 29—Mr and Mrs Nauman, Miss Pauer, Mr Bolte.

For Australia, per Australia, Jan 29—J L Stolzenberg, J H Hoff, Mr Barber.

For Eng. and the Continent, per Zealandia, Jan 29—E Gibson, Capt Pell, H F Bulwin, A Gartenberg.

BORN.

At Ulinu, Kona, on the 20th inst, to the wife of W E. H. Dowsett, a son.

DIED.

SICKLE—In Honolulu, on the 27th inst, William Sickle, a native of Germany, aged 70 years.

LYONS—In Fresno, California, Dec. 19th, 1883, of typhoid pneumonia, Alice Robinson Lyons, formerly of this city, aged 30 years.

Supreme Court—October Term, 1883.

WM. BROWN vs. KOHALA SUGAR COMPANY.

A Demurrer is interposed to the complaint in this case upon the ground that it shows upon its face that the contract, for breach of which damages are claimed, is not to be performed within one year from the making thereof, and is therefore void under the Statute of Frauds. Civil Code Section 1887, subdivision 5.

The allegations in the complaint are not very definite, but upon demurrer no advantage can be taken of that.

The exact time of making the contract is not stated, but it is averred that it was made in 1880 and 1881. This indicates that it was alleged that the parties agreed that the plaintiff should plant sugar cane on his available land in Kohala, amounting to eight acres more or less, to be ground and manufactured into sugar at defendant's sugar works in Kohala, and that defendant would, at a suitable time after the cane had matured, haul the said cane from the plaintiff's land to defendant's mill, and manufacture the same into sugar, at a charge of one half the sugar and molasses, the product of said cane.

This is the whole contract as alleged.

The plaintiff further alleges that the purchases of the contract, three acres were planted in 1880 and subsequently, in 1881 and 1882, a second piece of land of about five acres was planted, and that the defendant furnished seed cane for all the planting, and, for the second piece furnished a plow and other implements of husbandry, and that about January 1882, when the first field was mature and in good condition to be ground, the defendant refused to haul it or any part of plaintiff's cane.

In Section 270 of Brown on the Statute of Frauds, it is said:

"The statute provides simply that if the contract does by its terms expressed, or from the situation of the parties, reasonably implied, require more than a year for its performance, they cannot put it in writing. In other words, it must 'affirmatively appear from the contract itself and all the circumstances that enter into the interpretation of it, that it cannot in law be performed within the space of a year from the making.'

This I believe to embody the rule, as derived from the cases cited, by the counsel for both parties. It seems to be the true rule.

Manifestly, although the first field planted was but three acres, yet if sufficient labor had been applied, the whole eight acres might have been planted in about the same time. The fact that five acres were subsequently planted, and are not yet ripe, does not affect the validity of the contract. The contract is not rendered void by the long delay in execution, if, as matter of fact, it might, in the nature of things, be completed within the year.

There is nothing alleged to show but that the eight acres might have been planted, matured and ground within a year from the making of the contract. If that could be done, the contract was a valid one; if not, then it was void. I cannot hold it valid upon this pleading.

If there could be a doubt, and it should then be proved that a crop could not be planted and harvested in a year, it would be a defense.

The Demurrer is overruled, with leave to answer in ten days.

BENJ. H. ALLEN,
Justice Supreme Court.

Dated Oct. 3d, 1883.

Supreme Court of the Hawaiian Islands—Special Term Dec. 1883.—In Banco.

WM. BROWN vs. KOHALA SUGAR COMPANY.

Judd C.J., McCully and Austin J.J. Opinion of the Court by Austin J.

This case is here on exceptions from a decision below overruling a demurrer made to the complaint in an action on contract, on the ground that the contract was not in writing and was therefore invalid because its terms showed it could not be performed within one year.

The counsel for both adopt the opinion in the court below; and further say that the acts of the defendant as alleged in furnishing seed cane and a plow, and money to aid the plaintiff in the planting and cultivation of the sugar cane, for the failure to grind which the plaintiff seeks damages may properly be considered as evidence of the contract at the time the last of such advances was made; and that if from that time the contract could possibly be performed within a year the statute of frauds does not apply.

Exceptions are overruled, with leave to the defendant to answer in twenty days.

R. D. Dole for plaintiff. Smith & Thurston for defendant.

Honolulu, Jan. 24th 1884.

Mr. Bond gives an Emphatic Denial

EDITOR GAZETTE: Some one, well known indeed among us, has seen fit, in your last issue, to publish by name coupled with the assertion that, in circulating the petition therein referred to, I gave it to be understood that Dr. Thompson was going to resign, and that the endorsement as a ground for securing signatures. Allow me to give that charge a positive denial. Yours truly,

Kohala, January 28, 1884. E. C. BOND.

The Athletic Association does not display much life at present. The Association is well known to have been disbanded although the lack of meetings is somewhat ominous.

Don't use stimulants, but nature's brain and nerve food—Hop Bitters. See advertisement.

ISLAND LOCALS.

ABOUT TOWN.

New moon on the 26th inst., first quarter on the 4th prox. and full moon on the 11th prox.

Over 400 tons of sugar were received at this port from windward ports on the 26th and 27th inst.

The well known firm of Ashley & Hobbard has dissolved; Mr Hobbard continues the business.

The Isabella shed, which was flattened out during the late heavy gales, has been replaced by a substantial structure.

Heavy rain squalls fell last Thursday and Friday, the showers up the valley being considerably heavier than in town.

The stockholders of the Star Mill Sugar Co. meet at the office of Irwin & Co., on the 4th of February.

His Majesty has appointed the sister of the late Princess Kekauilio, to the position of Governess of Hawaii.

The *Advertiser* made its appearance in a rearranged manner on the 26th inst. the change is an improvement.

The annual meeting of the East Maui Stock Co., will be held at the office of Messrs. C. Brewer & Co., on the 4th prox.

The clock tower of Mr. Lunas' new building on the Esplanade is now finished, and the clock faces have been placed in position.

Do not overlook the fact that a mail leaves here for San Francisco per *Alameda* on Friday, Feb. 1st, at noon sharp.

A paper containing an biography of the Hawaiian Premier has been received. Apparently it is from the pen of the versatile Premier himself.

The secretary of the Stock Breeder's association has called a special meeting of the society, to take place at the Armory on Queen street, on the 31st inst.

Messrs. Hardie & Bertelmann, the proprietors of the Enterprise Planing Mill of this city, have dissolved partnership but the business will be continued at the old stand by Mr Hardie.

Rumor has it that unless times improve, the Nuuanu Valley "bus" is to be taken off the route. The "bus" being a very useful and convenient institution, it is to be hoped that rumor is wrong.

The ladies engaged in getting up the fair for the Library are very busy. Members of the group have been visiting the various houses soliciting contributions. They have been liberally met.

Captain Freemich of the steamer *Lizzie Kalle* informs us that he experienced very heavy weather off Kauai parts on the last trip, especially so off Kilauea where the vessel lost an anchor. No other damage or loss reported.

At one of the public schools the other day, a small boy created quite a sensation by letting off his fire-crackers in the school room. Poor little chap, lines hung heavy on his hands, and then it was such fun while the offender was being hunted for.

The Sailors' Home is undergoing repairs. The old verandah has been taken down and new posts are being put in. A coat of paint will add to the appearance of the building, which will then bloom like a full blown rose.

The Honolulu boat club have at last received their new six-oared shell and have already had a few "spins" in the harbor. The boat has been christened the *Lihue* in honor of a lady friend of the organization.

Political meetings have been held lately in Pauoa valley, and the result has been the formal adoption by the citizens of the district of the ticket containing the names of the representatives of the Independent party. Marvel!

The new room lately formed in the Y. M. C. A. hall by flooring over the portion intended original ly as a gymnasium, was utilized for the first time on last Sunday, the 27th inst., a prayer meeting being held there in.

The south-west corner of Nuuanu and King streets is generally avoided by pedestrians, in the night time especially, on account of the sand hole which continually opens, and threatens to swallow the unfortunate who has crossed the aforesaid corner.

A little more excitement than usual is to be seen in the streets as the election draws near. Orators from both political parties have been haranguing at the street corners. From appearances the independent party is decidedly in greatest favor.

His Excellency the Attorney General has lately gratified his taste as a lover of mythological subjects, by the addition to his art gallery of a painting representing a boudoir scene between Aegina, daughter of Asopus a king of Boeotia, and Jupiter.

The *Bulletin* hit the *Advertiser* over the knuckles rather sharply in the remarks upon the peculiarities apparent in the "official" directory published in the latter paper, and in which the Premier as usual received the lion's share of glory.

Instead of the weekly prayer meeting, held on Wednesday evenings at the Fort street church, there will be an addition to the services on this evening and Rev. Dr. Lane of Waihiau, Maui, will officiate and deliver a short sermon on an interesting subject.

The "Windsor" restaurant, stock and fixtures, sold under the hammer on the 23rd inst., by order of the Marshal of the Kingdom, was bought by Mr. George Cavanagh, the former manager of the establishment, who proposes to continue the business.

Another fatal accident occurred on the 27th inst., the victim in this case being the chief officer, Mr. H. Lenhoss, of the German bark *Selmar*, at present lying at the wharf. He was thrown from the hold of the vessel to the hold, received injuries which caused his death. An inquest was not held.

His Majesty launched at his boat-house last Sunday, the craft being the second that he has paid for this former favorite resort of his, in nearly two months. His Majesty's passion for yachting and boating seems to have been entirely overcome by the pressure of politics.

The disappointing of United States hall and quarter dollars from circulation, upon the arrival of the new coin, is very marked. Here is an opportunity for "Crowquill" to start a financial theory. He was facilitating the government upon the success of the new coin the other day.

The Saturday afternoon band concert at Emma Square, under the direction of Assistant Bandmaster D. K. Mana, attracted quite a number of lovers of music, who were agreeably entertained by the performances by the band, of the pieces on the programme. Neumann's "First Kiss" (a cornet solo) was rapturously applauded.

The P.M.S.S. *Zealandia* arrived in port here on the 29th inst., 6 days 13 hours from San Francisco. A new purser appearing in charge this trip, the usual courtesies extended to the newspapers were not forthcoming, and the GAZETTE has to thank Messrs. J. M. Oat, Jr., & Co. for late newspapers per P.M.S.S. *Zealandia*.

The usual Sunday afternoon meetings held at the hall of the Y. M. C. A., have been discontinued and in their stead class prayer meetings, especially for young men, and conducted by members of the association, will be held in the rooms. The new order of services will commence every Sunday afternoon at 3.30 o'clock.

The Board of Management of the Royal Hawaiian Agricultural Society held an adjourned meeting at the rooms of the British Club on the evening of the 25th inst. Matters were perfected relative to the programme for the next show and a committee was appointed to obtain a suitable location.

The galaxy recognitions are now heralded from Alaiheni Hale under the head of "Foreign Office Notice." Not having the signature of His Highness the Premier is a serious oversight, as the palace receptions proper are generally under the control of His Majesty's Chamberlain.

Chinese new year has come and gone, the festivities and fire-crackers commencing together about noon on the 25th inst., and virtually ended on the 29th inst. at midnight. As usual the domestic servants deserted their posts for the time being and the Celestial merchants of the town kept open house, like as usual.

After the experiment of the festive fire cracker, during the early hours of Sunday morning, one of the prominent citizens declared himself an adherent of Z. Y. Squires, "I must go or they more go" he was reported. There will probably be an accession of numbers to Mr. Squires' following during the course of the week.

Col. Spreckels has been confined to his house during the past two weeks by a recurrence of the ailment which troubled him in San Francisco. It is to be hoped however that the gentleman will have a sufficiently recovered to allow him to be again seen in business precincts.

Mr Lee Kan one of Honolulu's rising Chinese citizens, departed from the social order of things on the late Chinese New Year and repeatedly invited his friends to partake of the delicacies of a contemporary that he would "reserve no calls." The Chinese they still are peculiar.

The Kawaiaai Brothers have managed to make their office the headquarters for the gathering of representatives of the various political clubs and at the noon hour of each day the air resounds with the thunder tones of numerous Hawaiian orators who present the claims of either themselves or their favorites to the notice of interested and appreciative audiences.

Mr. D. A. Stevens, for the past two years secretary of the Japanese Legation in Washington, was a passenger by the *Rio de Janeiro*. Mr. Stevens has been appointed special delegate from the American government to Japan. He goes to remain a year at the Japanese Foreign Office, in order to assist in arranging a new treaty with reference to commercial matters, and to the much vexed question of extra Territoriality.

Rev Dr. Lanze, preached the sermon at the evening service held at Fort street Church on the 27th inst, taking for his text, "And there went out into him all the land of Judea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized of him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins." The speaker listened to with interest the subject matter being well and ably handled.

On the 21st inst, Messrs. A. W. Richardson & Co. moved into their new place of business, on the south west corner of Merchant and Fort streets, and the opportunity offered by more room enables them to display their stock of goods furnishing goods to better advantage than at their old quarters. The location of the premises is a most eligible one and the firm's customers are promised the latest novelties in their line of trade.

The rainy weather of the 26th inst., induced the Minister of the Interior to arrest with a protecting influence in the shape of an umbrella, in his perambulations about town he deposited the article in some place, *perdue*, for safe keeping and his constitutional business cross on that date has caused him to forget the location, and the umbrella has joined the army of those "gone" before.

One of the occupiers at Iolani Palace, having no fear of the "Dread King," has amused himself lately with forging the Royal sign manual to several orders for gin, brandy and beer and obtained the liquors in question to about twenty dozen from Messrs. Macfarlane & Co. The forgery was discovered however, and yesterday, on trial in the Police Court, the accused was found guilty and committed for trial to the Supreme Court.

The British man-of-war expected to arrive at this port, within a few weeks, are the latest addition to Britannia's fleet of ocean cruisers; the *Heroine* commanded by Captain F. R. Blackburn, is 1,000 tons burthen, has engines of 1130 horse-power and carries an armament of 9 guns. The *Cormorant* commanded by Captain F. P. Doughty, is nearly twice as large, being 2200 tons burthen, has engines of 2000 horse-power and carries 14 guns.

The exterior of the *Pua Alii* office has been decorated with a series of political cartoons in which the Ministers and the aspirants for Senatorial honors on the Government ticket have been most unmercifully caricatured. One which was shown last Saturday, represented the four Ministers each with a candidate in his pocket, in chase of a phantom brick of gold, towards which Chun Spreckels was driving them with blows from a heavy purse.

The legal gentlemen who attend the police court, are entirely at the mercy, occasionally of an incompetent, or careless interpreter the Captain of the back police, who is used in that position during the absence of Mr. Wilcox. Judge Bickerton's knowledge of the language gave him an opportunity to correct an interpretation on a late occasion, which might have, if taken as originally interpreted, ruined the case of the legal gentleman who was counsel for a defendant.

Certainly newspaper support is not lacking to Mr. J. O. Carter; both the English and Hawaiian press are almost entirely in his favor as the proper being a desirable candidate. But it was pointed out last week that the government papers only swallow Mr. Carter because they cannot help themselves. His election being almost a certainty they are preparing the way to smooth over the defeat of their principals, which are diametrically opposed to what Mr. Carter advocates.

Rumor is a rather unreliable informant at times, the late deplorable accident at the gaol, by which the Government Marshal was drowned, affords a fair opportunity to circulate no less than five well connected, probable, stories, each independent of the other, as to the incidents immediately preceding the fatal fall. Even the deputy Marshal of the Kingdom, was not sufficiently lucid in his statements, to counterbalance the worthless and misleading information imparted by the Marshal.

The Chinese are usually regarded as a very conservative people, but they have evidently made an advance in the matter of fireworks. A peculiarly infernal kind of detonating bomb has been recently added to the usual fire-cracker. Perhaps this has been found necessary as the quantity of bad spirits in Hawaii has considerably increased since the enactment of the free liquor law, and the "devil" is let loose pretty freely in the streets during a Saturday night.

Letters have been received from Staunton, Va., and Moscow, Idaho Territory, from prospective settlers, asking for information relative to the climate and becomes prospects of this country. In answer, the GAZETTE would say that the climate, after acquaintance, is glorious, the thermometer averaging 70 the year round, the extremes during 1883 being, highest 87, lowest 57. Business prospects are good for artisans with a little capital, etc.

The brig *Mizpah*, Capt. Tarney, will probably leave tomorrow for the south seas, taking as passengers for the islands in that locality a number of laborers whose terms of service have expired and who are returned to their homes as per original contract when shipped. The cruise this time will be a short one, and if laborers are obtained it will be solely on the account of A. F. Cooke & Co., the P. L. & S. Co. not being directly interested in the present voyage.

Mr. Vaughan, one of the well known merchant tailors of this city, who has, for a number of years past admirably succeeded in providing proper and fashionable garments for male wear, has entered into partnership with Mr. W. O. Atwater, formerly of Lahaina and Makawao, Maui, and the new firm are now prepared to satisfy the most exacting exquisite in dress, in regard to quality, cut and manufacture of business or dress suits. The business will be conducted at the old stand on Fort street corner of Hotel street.

The long litigated dispute of the boundaries between Kapahulu and Waialae has at last been disposed of by a judgment in banco in favor of the plaintiff in error, Mr. Charles Bishop of Diamond Head, the landmark of Honolulu, the trade-mark of the Hawaiian Islands, with all its glorious associations, will shortly be sold at auction to the highest bidder for cash. It is said that a certain patriotic American gentleman residing in Honolulu, is anxious to purchase the landmark in order to fly the American flag from its summit.

The P. M. S. S. *Rio Janeiro* arrived off this port on the 23rd inst., bringing as incoming passengers 250 Chinese laborers. The vessel anchored outside the harbor and the passengers, after being examined by the port physician, were landed by means of scows at the quarantine station. There they underwent another examination and their clothing was thoroughly fumigated. Deputy Marshal Dayton being the officer in charge. They remain all the second from quarantine at noon on the 29th inst., in season to participate in the merry-making of Chinese New Year.

Now that the decorations have all been distributed, it may be of no harm to remind the distributor of the neglect that has fallen to the lot of a faithful and worthy person who, during the worst of the small-box epidemic of 1881, worked day and night tending the sick, vaccinating, administering medicine, imposing quarantine etc., etc., and who is still hard, and poorly paid, as the only working agent of the Board of Health. The order of Kalakaua would be a cheap reward of merit to such a person if the "powers that be" had only recognized his unreported actions.

Rev. Father Bouchard, the Jesuit priest conducting the mission (or revival) services at the Roman Catholic Cathedral in this city, preached a very interesting sermon at the evening services held at that place of worship on the 27th inst. The congregation present, which was a very large one and included a great number of foreigners, was deeply interested in the remarks of the speaker, who held the attention of his large audience from the commencement of his sermon to the close. The native portion of the congregation express regret at their lack of knowledge of English and the absence of an interpreter.

Road-supervisor Hirt took advantage of Leap year and gathering a number of his friends together, rolled up a luau with and gave her the benefit of a surprise party. The good lady was most thoroughly taken aback, when, on her return from a visit with the pictures had planned for her to make, she found the house which she had left dark and silent, a blaze of light, the many mines of old and young mingling with the sounds of music and the dance. The surprised madam took it in the situation, but rather improvidently whispered to the chief culprit, "Charles, how could you?"

An accident, resulting with fatal effect, happened to the driver of one of Mr. Sharratt's teams lately, the circumstances being related as follows: The two horses attached to one of the drays driven by a native, become unmanageable, and ran in the yard of Mr. Sharratt, one of the wheels of the dray scraping against a post, knocked the driver off his seat to the ground, the shock stunning him. The horses made the circuit of the yard, and, there being no one to stop them, again rushed out through the gate, dragging the dray over the body of the insensible driver, which lay in their path. Assistance arriving later the unfortunate man was taken to the hospital, where he died on the 27th inst. No inquest, as usual.

The extra concert given by the band at Emma Square on last Monday evening was well attended the evening being one of those calm pleasant ones which allows the most delicate to venture forth from their domicile and enjoy the combined influence of silent nature and lively music. The programme of pieces performed was as follows:

PART I.

March—"Hunting Call" ..... Faust.
Clarionet Solo—"Aria" ..... Bennett.
Gavotte—"Stephanie" ..... Czibulka.
Medley—"Rage in London" ..... Winterbottom.

PART II.

Selection—"Patience" ..... Sullivan.
Waltz—"Southern Breeze" ..... Meller.
"Hoskins" and "Lablon" ..... H. Berger.
"Austrian Hymn" and "Hawaii Ponoi."

No 2 of Vol. I, of a publication issued by W. B. Bancroft & Co. of San Francisco, and entitled *The Pacific Coast*, has been laid on our desk and a cursory glance shows that the magazine presents a pleasant typographical appearance, the type being large and easy read, the paper good and the selection of the contents shows able editors. The aim of the journal is to present the claims of the Pacific Coast, more fully to the public who may be looking for suitable locations for "seeing and choosing" a home. Commenting on the contents of the journal says, "it will doubtless be of material assistance in developing the rich sections of the country west of the rocky mountains." Messrs. J. M. Oat Jr. & Co. are the local agents for subscription.

Once a year there is desolation and disorganization in the peaceable households of Honolulu. The gentle celestial takes his three days' holiday and the housewife has to toil and toil and moil to get the meals ready. The "lords" of the creation are usually better off than at any other time of the year, for they get their meals more daintily cooked, but it is uncommonly hard on the rulers of the "Lonka." In no other country perhaps is a town left so thoroughly servantless as here. This holiday is growing too; a few years ago Chinamen were another white slave class, now it is no uncommon thing for them to ask for three and even four days. And the unfortunate householder is obliged to a rule to give in to the demand; what can one do when good cooks are so scarce?

Honolulu, for a city of so small a size, certainly boasts enough newspapers and magazines. There are three weekly English newspapers, the *Gazette*, *Saturday Press* and *Pacific Commercial Advertiser*; two dailies, the *Advertiser* and *Bulletin*, with a third in prospect. Of monthlies there are four, the *Elele* or *Messenger*, the *Friend*, and the *Anglican Church Chronicle*. Four native weeklies, the *Pu Auo*, the *Kuokoa*, the *Elele*, and the *Kee Hewen*; one native monthly the *Ke Hoku o ke Kai*, a weekly Chinese news and a Portuguese paper complete the list. When we look back ten years and remember that two native and two foreign papers were all that the town could support, some idea of the progress made, can be formed.

HAWAII.

Hilo district is sadly in need of bridges in most of the districts, it being often very dangerous crossing the streams.

The *Kinau* met with very heavy weather on her last trip, and was unable to get freight from Hilo. The passengers had to go on board at Waiuku.

The snow on Mauna Loa and Mauna Kea is lower than it has been since the year 1862. The streams in Waimea are very much swollen; during the past two days the weather has been exceptionally severe.

The effects of the late James Shepherd, were sold at auction by the sheriff, at Hilo on Jan. 22nd, bringing moderate prices. The goods consisted of a sewing machine, cloth and trimmings used in the tailor's trade.

The oldest man probably in the Sandwich Islands died at Hilo on Friday Jan. 18th. He was a native, Kahuanui-nui by name, who was born in 1782, according to the records, and was therefore 102 years old at the time of his death.

Mr. and Mrs. Colville, in attempting to cross the stream in the Honolulu gulch, Hilo, on their way from Hilo to Lake Waiohinu, on Tuesday, Jan. 22nd, came near losing their lives by being washed down the stream, it being swollen from recent rains.

MAUI.

Heavy rains have fallen all over Maui and the Island looks beautiful.

Rose Rosette under the management of Mr. F. P. Hastings, looks remarkably well. The rosebs is evidently well cared for.

When the *Kinau* left Lahaina last Saturday, three cases of liquor were waiting shipment for Lanai. Nothing to do with the election, Oh, No!

The process of liquoring votes is sometimes dangerous to the dispenser of the fluid. This was the case at Lahaina the other day, when a prominent electioneering agent himself uncorked to the potations.

Some voters on Lanai have been threatened that if they do not vote the government ticket, they will be ousted from the Shepherds' lands which they are now occupying. This is a fatherly method of influencing the elections certainly.

Public meetings have been held weekly at Wailuku and adjoining villages. There is a very thorough appreciation of the points at issue. Were the question to be decided on its merits, there would be no doubt as to the result, but other means beside argument are being used for the Government candidates.

KAUAI.

The Road Supervisor at Waimea has done nothing to the roads, and his excuse has been: "I can get no money." What is the matter with the government purse? Enough money was voted.

The bridge over the Waimea river has been completed for about two months, that is, all except the approaches. As the ends of the bridge are higher than the head of an ordinary man, the public can imagine just how much good the bridge has done.

Hon. J. Kanai has been distinguishing himself by his electioneering speeches. He boasted the other day that he was the author of the law which prevented the arrest of a man for intoxication if six days had elapsed after the man was intoxicated. As an instance of the excellent working of that bit of legislation, one of the paid government policemen was up for being drunk on New Year's day, but Mr. Kanai's law stepped in and nothing could be done to the offender. The world be merry, but for Waimea has also said that it was not right to put the Ministers out because the King had placed those where they were and the Bible said one must honor the King and do as he said. After which he announced himself as an *Independent* candidate!

A FATAL FALL!

Death of the Hon. W. F. Bushe.

Another of those fatal accidents, which serve upon their occurrence to startle the community, either on account of the surrounding circumstances or the acquaintance with, or knowledge which the public generally has of the victim, occurred at the Oahu prison on the morning of the 27th inst. between 4.30 and 5 o'clock, the unfortunate victim in the case being no less a personage than the Governor of the prison, Hon. W. F. Bushe. The news of the sad occurrence was received in the city soon after the accident and the services of Dr. Brodie were brought into requisition, he arriving on the ground at 5.30, but too late to be of assistance, the vital spark having expired before his advent. Attempts to obtain a lucid account of the unfortunate affair from the proper authorities proved futile, and, consequently, a correspondent of the GAZETTE was enabled to obtain the following story:

BEFORE THE FALL.

The deceased had been to a boxing given by Henry Kaia, a clerk in the Land Office, in the early part of the evening of the 26th, and returned to the prison at about 9.30 o'clock. Being unable to sleep, however, he returned to the party about 1.30 and remained there until 4 a. m., returning again to the prison in company with two of his friends. The guards on duty at the time of his latter entrance, report that "Mr. Bushe was then sober enough, that he spoke to them, and mentioned to them his having been out enjoying himself. He then retired to his room, which is on the second story. The rest of the movements of the deceased until his body was found lying at the base of the wall on the outside of the prison seem to be unknown, except by conjecture.

A SUBORDINATE'S STATEMENT.

At an hour which he is unable to say positively, the head turnkey states, that he was awoke by the noise of breaking glass, and, starting up, he listened for a repetition of the sound; not hearing anything he judged that one of the pictures frames hanging in his room had fallen to the floor, and proceeded to catch for the purpose of viewing the destruction. His attention was then drawn to two pieces of glass and a portion of the sash in the window of the room being broken, so he called the guard on watch and ordered him to go outside and search, he (Mahoe) thinking that some drunken person had thrown a stone in. The guard took a lantern, went out the south gate, and arriving under the broken window, there found the almost inanimate body of his superior officer, the Governor of the jail. Hastening back he told the chief turnkey; an alarm being given the guards with the exception of others who went out, and brought the yet breathing body of the unfortunate man within the jail. Some time seems to have elapsed before telephoning for medical assistance, but after so doing the yet living, but senseless, man was removed and placed on a bed in the dining room of the building and was presented and ordered to be published in the various newspapers. The meeting then closed.

Total subscriptions as per book	$25,[illegible]
Less subscriptions withdrawn, can-	
Minors not being complied with	1,[illegible]
Actual subscriptions	$23,[illegible]
Less subscriptions yet unpaid	[illegible]
Total subscriptions received	$23,[illegible]

E. O. C. C. OF GUARANTEE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION.

Amt. paid J. T. Waterhouse for land as per deed	$4,000 00
Amt. paid Geo. Lucas for building	1,450 00
Amt. paid sundry bills, printing, supplies, etc.	66 [illegible]
Amt. paid W. Hall, chairman for Trustees	1,000 00
Amt. paid Geo. Lucas for new room and extras on gas pipe	382 [illegible]
Balance, cash in hand	$[illegible]
	$22,[illegible]

PER CONTRA, CR.

Amt. received for subscriptions on account building fund	$23,[illegible]
Amt. received for sale of old building	[illegible]
Amt. net proceeds of fair, branch	[illegible]

Cash on hand this date, $[illegible].
F. C. JONES, Jr.,
Chairman Building Committee.
E. O. C. C.
Honolulu, January 21st, 1884.

The Coming Election.

A list of the candidates for the forthcoming election has been published in the newspapers. The classification was entirely incorrect, as we present a correct list for the benefit of our readers. The whilom government organ, which now poses as being free of official import, claimed no less than fourteen aspirants for legislative honors who are thoroughly independent.

Government candidates are marked G. Independents, I.

OAHU.

HONOLULU—J. L. Kaulukou, E. B. Lilikalani, Jno. F. Baker, Hon. J. Kona (G.) J. O. Carter, J. U. Kawainui, A. P. Kalauokai, A. K. Kaunamano, (I.)

EWA AND WAIANAE—J. P. Kauna, (G.) F. Brown, (I.)

WAIALUA—Jno. Ainoia, S. Kaloiko, (G.) J. N. Kaialikawaha, (I.)

KOOLAUPOKO—J. Kauai, J. Kalubi, (G.) J. M. Kaualikuna, J. L. Naihi, Oneil Brown, (I.)

KOOLAUPOKO—Ana Kaiaha, G. K. Kalauokano, S. M. Kaaukai, (G.) G. Barenaba, J. K. Kaulikio, (I.)

MAUI.

LAHAINA—L. Ahuia, D. Kamanopili, Ala Nahaolelua, (G.) J. W. Kalua, (I.)

KAANAPALI—J. A. Kaikea, J. B. Nahale, John Richardson, (G.)

WAILUKU—J. Nakoolua, Kaiaha, Geo. E. Richardson, W. R. Keane, (G.) W. S. Maule, T. R. Cummings, W. O. Smith, L. W. P. Kaneali, J. Hasle, M. R. Makaloa, (I.)

MAKAWAO—E. Helekunihi, C. K. Kapuhi, (G.) J. Kamakele, J. Kaiana, (I.)

HANA—S. W. Kaai J. Hoapbar, C. R. Kekani, (G.) J. R. Hanuna, W. H. Halstead, (I.)

MOLOKAI AND LANAI—S. K. Kapihe, J. Nakuhia, E. Jones, S. Kaloolahela, A. K. Paki, S. K. Kawooole, A. Keka Maka, (G.) J. Lukana, J. W. M. Poohoo, S. Punia, D. Kalauokalani, S. Kane, (I.)

HAWAII.

HILO—D. B. Wahine, T. Akina, (G.) D. H. Hitchcock, Hon. J. Nawahi, E. P. Homai, (I.)

HAMAKUA—Hon. J. K. Kaunamano, J. Welewelo, W. A. Mio, (G.) Chas. Williams, (I.)

KOHALA—William White, G. P. Kaumacha, J. Kalapu, D. S. Hookano, Z. Kalai, (G.) J. W. Moanali, Z. Kamalai, G. Brown, (I.)

NORTH KONA—J. G. Hoapili, J. W. Kelikoa, J. Pulapula, (G.) Hon. G. W. Pilipo, (I.)

SOUTH KONA—Hon. D. H. Nahinu, C. W. P. Kuaa, F. S. Keiki, (G.) S. Kaoo, (I.)

KAU—J. N. Kapuhi, (G.) Hon. J. Kauhane, (I.)

PUNA—E. Kekua, J. Kamakua, (G.) Hon. J. M. Kauwila, (I.)

KAUAI.

LIHUE AND KOLOA—T. Kalhoone, (G.) S. B. Dole, (I.)

WAIMEA AND NIIHAU—Hon. J. Kauai, (G.) W. E. Rowell, (I.)

HANALEI—Hon G. B. Pelekai, (G.) D. W. H. Kaapuna, (I.)

The Government Candidates have a Talk

In accordance with a previous announcement, two candidates of the government ticket made one of their famous Catholic Church yard on Sunday last, at a place in which to conduct their "stumping" for the coming elections. Much to the disappointment of the assembled crowd, the place immediately opposite, the noisy eloquence of John Baker and J. L. Kaulukou, began before the