COMMERCIAL.

HONOLULU, DECEMBER 4, 1884.

Business during the past week has shown but little improvement, the usual life and activity appearing at the season of the year being entirely absent. Hopes are entertained that when the financial questions which are agitating the community are settled, that business will become more brisk. At the auction rooms of Mr. S. T. Alfonso, an important sale of Real Estate, the estate of the late S. K. Kaai, was made last week, the prices obtained indicating a slight fall in real estate values. By the P. M. S. S. Australia which arrived in port two days on the 20 inst., news and mail dates to the 7th inst. were received. The news regarding sugar is a little more cheering and with continuing of as at present to believe in the near future. Rice is quoted as advanced with a still upward movement.

PORT OF HONOLULU.

Arrived.

Nov 29—Am bktne Wm Bryce, Robertson, from Port Townsend.
Dec 1—Am bk Hope, Pendleton, from Port Townsend.
1—Br bk Australia, Gibert, from San Francisco.

Sailed.

Nov 29—Am bktne W G Irwin, Tinney, for S. F.
2—Am bktne Amelia, Newhall, for San Francisco.
Dec 1—Am bktne Alameda, Nunes, for San Francisco.
1—Br bk Australia, Gibert, for Australia.

Vessels in Port.

Br bkt Tacoma.
Haw brig Manuel, Tirinato.
Am bk Abner Coburn, Pendleton.
Am schr Rosa, Wickman.
Br bk Halik, Thorsteinn.

IMPORTS.

From Boston, Mass, per Mail Co. Port Townsend, per Mikahala, Nov 29: 1 full cargo of lumber.

From Puget Sound, per Mikahala, Nov 29: 1 full cargo of lumber.

EXPORTS.

For San Francisco, per W G Irwin, Nov 29—200 tons of domestic produce. Domestic value $[illegible].

For San Francisco, per Alameda, Dec 1—500 tons of sugar, 1 package. Domestic value, $[illegible]. Foreign value, $[illegible].

PASSENGERS.

For Hamburg, Bremen and Havre, per Oceanic, Nov 29—Maxime Cotte, D R Clarke, W Pauly, S Decker, J D Young, S A Kimball and wife, T Kinnie, 3 Deacons.

From Kauai, Kona, via Waimea and Waialua, per James Makee, Nov 29—Mr Ka Ua, 2 Kaimanas, Miss Kuhaunola, D English, W Cox, Sr., Miss Parker.

For Kaiwiki, per Kaiulani, Nov 29—W Akana, J W Kona, and wife.

For Kauai, via Waimea and Waialua, per James Makee, Nov 29—J Kaumakaiwa, Harry Newman, Miss Bessie Preston, S W Bunton.

From Kaiwiki, per Kaiulani, Nov 30—J Kapela, W Nahale, W M Taylor, J Norris, Dr L G Bell and wife.

From Hilo and way ports, per Kinau, Nov 29—Her Majesty Queen Dowager Emma and three servants, Miss Lucy Peabody, Miss Kate Rooney, Miss Lucy Peabody, J Richardson, E P Lane, G W Pilipo and wife, Rev S Kapu, J Lilipio, Geo Campbell, W J Wright, S L Kaeo, J Meyers, Miss E Low, Rev Nahaolelua Kalua, W R Rose, W Allen, 2 soldiers, A W Carter, S Bush and wife, Rev C H Hitchcock and 2 children.

For San Francisco, per Australia, Dec 1—A Buck and wife, J J Dolphin, M Vasconcelos, Mrs Brown and child, A Lyons and wife, Prof Nye, Lee Sqick, E S Thomas, Lieut. J E Hendrewen, R N, A Lalapin, S Leback, R W Gilliard, Sam Ai Lo and wife, W Cox, Geo Courtney and wife, J Kaiwi and child, Geo S Graham, R Turner, J Kennedy and wife, A Kennedy, Lock Ah Ho, J Hanson, J Hunter, W Pregell, Rev Nahaolelua, Chas Ah King, J H Jones.

MARRIED.

AUSTIN—ROBERTSON—In this city, Dec. 1, 1884, a Fort Street Church, by the Rev. J. A. Cruzan, Hon. Henry C. Austin and Miss Marion R. Robertson, both of Honolulu, Hawaii.

DIED.

ENDERS—At Waikiki, Maui, December 1, 1884, Dr. E. H. Enders.

The "Dismal Bladder" or "Filthy Sewer."

In the Gage Weekly, published at Dunedin New Zealand, under date of October 11th, the following references are made to the "Dismal Bladder" as it was then referred to by newspaper editors of this (Honolulu) city as shown forth in the editorial columns of their papers. The language used has attracted considerable attention for the originality, if not purity of expression, and the "Bladder" grew like Jack's beanstalk, the reader's mirror, as it were. "How in Honolulu, unremittingly pure, have assumed this sort of thing, knowing that the name of their particular sewer has epithet, their sense of what was right and proper, be blunted, or perhaps of their money, is a question we cannot answer." "Queen Dom. Advertiser editors of GAZETTE, November 20th.)

Following are the extracts from the Gage Weekly:

Oliver Wendell Holmes, in the "Professor," has a remark about what he calls the "parallax of truths." "If you wish to get the distance of a heavenly body, you know that you must take two observations from two points of the earth's orbit—the midsummer and midwinter one, for instance." So in politics and religion—we get the "parallax of truth" by comparing observations made from opposite points of view. On this principle I quote an estimate of General Gordon which I find in the "Pacific Commercial Advertiser," a paper published in Honolulu:—

"Chinese Gordon is a Hillbrother of the first water, and if he meets a Hillbrother's fate we cannot see why any function of the world should be sorry. He went simply to Khartoum to do what he was totally unauthorized by the British Government, and if Mr. Gordon is savaged it will be nothing more than the fate he has courted. There is a lot of mock sentimentality about Gordon, promptly from those who have made so sorry of the Hillbrother."

It is very sad to reflect that in our admiration of the chivalrous heroism of Gordon, we may all of us have been indulging in "mock sentimentality" and are thus exposed to merited "lightsome" ridicule of our Sandwich Islands "brother from such a quarter is a reliable indeed.

It is reassuring, however, to read a local contemporary's estimate of this comedy-play-spoken writer. The "Bladder," another Honolulu paper, describes the "Dismal Bladder" and so forth correctly, as "a filthy sewer." It may be inferred from the choice English of the earnest journal above, the "Advertiser," of a piece of what are called "journalistic amenities," can give quite as good as it gets. It reflects in every other reflection to the Sewer as to the "Dismal Bladder," and reverts to the "filthy sewer" argument as follows:—

"Our sophisticated contemporary, the 'Dismal Bladder,' having called up the ghost we punished in a couple weeks ago, crept out of its dead hole last evening and squalled against Queen Emma. We read this rather amusing journal the 'Dismal Bladder' because it is dismal, and because it is a bladder—all wind, lamentable, and ghoulishness.

We propose through the latter part of this month, and the first two weeks in September to discuss the "Dismal Bladder" and the Christian-like and logical manner, showing, according to our light, why it is dismal, why it is a bladder, and why like some of our local brethren, it is hurrying to an early grave.

This is about the stage at which a newspaper controversy grows gradually interesting. Further developments between the "filthy sewer" and the "dismal bladder" ought to be worth reporting. Their disease is of the kind which one naturally expects to call with a verdict like that returned by a surgeon's jury in Sydney—"Sudden death through calling Bill Wing a liar."

Our Hilo Letter.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—An occasional shake up, more or less severe, comes now and then to a greater or smaller part of this island country. To maintain a due amount of respect from her subjects Madame Pele stirs them up with frequent internal ventilations. Last Saturday (November 22nd) morning a slight earthquake occurred. The motion came from west to east and passed the time at 5.16 a.m. Somewhat longer.

Queen Emma's visit here has shown Hualalai enthusiasm of the natives for her as their old time favorite has not decreased. Hilo's best people showed their interest in calling to her Tuesday evening (the Queen would not, through a regular Hilo mill to the social of Mrs. F. Lyman's, which was a very pleasant affair. A rainy evening did not seem to deter many from going, and reading and music, with pleasant alternating in small talk and chatting with the Queen Dowager showed how well and how quickly time passed away. They were not "tired" after their day's work to your humble one and to have been on the 17th. Queen Emma leaves to-day for the Kona to-day.

The building into which the recurring shock of the same general character occurred, W. H. Reed & Co. was recently moved, stands with closed doors, taking account of stock.

I understand Mr. Holmes of Hamakua, intends to purchase the entire business and start a new store and lumber business. Success to him.

A series of illustrations showing the progress at the Hall closed. From there one gets a good idea of what the possibilities of the calcium light may be.

Clear weather has been the rule for the last few weeks, a hard shower now and then cooling things off and helping on the growing cones, viz. Coffeeldis begin to take on their "Fall" colors of reddish browns and purples from the opening of the flower tassels.

The native women are gathering in a full supply of the young flower shells for straw hat plaiting.

A solid enlistment fills the air, the result of the late election news. Hilo's few Democrats go about stained at the news of their party's victory. "Bull for Cleveland" is Hilo's cry. Democrats and wraths are the Republicans. A poor day for Thanksgiving this day.

Hilo, Nov. 26th, 1884.

That Mud Hole.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—Rumors of war, and war itself, in the breasts of the unfortunates who have to travel through the Hamakua overland, were by no ears over and time, concerning the state of the roads, especially in one particular spot.

Time and space permit me to mention in regard to this one spot only.

Just months of C. Afong's mill at Paauau, where the frame crosses the government road, is a mud hole. This mud hole is caused by a leakage of mill flume, and is positively dangerous to the passing traveller. A horse sinks to the girth in this Slough of Despond and there is off way of going around it. Through our finest dry weather this mud hole is as wet and deep as in the rainiest months, and shows that the water from the flume is the cause of it. For energetic P. Rosa Superintendent of the road at Hilo, he does not seem to care one way or the other.

To those who have to use the road, no one seeks it for pleasure; this one hole has become a bugbear and a burden, and a thing serious enough to which to call the attention of the managers of mill plantation. They being at a measure the responsible parties in the case, it would seem as though a suggestion would come a prompt removal of this chronic nuisance. This is but one plaint among many. Sojourner.

Hilo, Nov. 26th, 1884.

The Inspector of Immigrants.

By the W. C. Rolt on Sunday the Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, Inspector of Immigrants, returned from Kona, where he had been visiting the plantations. The plantations employ about 1200 laborers, and these are reported as being in a healthy condition and satisfied with their lot. The houses where the lodge are clean and comfortable and the managers appear interested in the welfare of their men. The Portuguese are in excess of all other nationalities. They do extremely well, and as usual are being up thriving families. It is an excellent thing that these inspections should be made and it is to be hoped that Mr. Cleghorn will continue the inspections at irregular intervals throughout next year; we know that many planters thoroughly appreciate the necessity of continuous inspection.

My wife and daughter were made healthy by the use of Hop Bitters, and I recommend it to my people.—Methodist Clergyman. Read advt.

ISLAND LOCALS.

ABOUT TOWN.

The brigantine W. G. Irwin sailed for San Francisco in the morning of the 29th ult.

On the 19th inst. Mr. T. W. Everett will sell some valuable real estate situated at Waiheka, Maui. See advertisement.

Mr. J. Seeley, the trainer of the six-oared crew of the Honolulu club, sailed for San Francisco on the 1st inst. on the steamer Alameda.

Most of the schools was closed last Thursday and Friday. St. Alban's College held a morning session on the former day.

Mr. Peter Dalton, well and favorable known to old residents as a saddle and harness maker, has started business again in this city.

The stockholders of the Haiwee Sugar Co. have elected Mr. J. B. Paty as president, and Mr. T. R. Foster as director, of the company.

Beautiful afterglows and magnificent sunrises are now visible in sky-quarts. Italian skies may now be seen from those coral isles.

Are those two barrels of gunpowder lying outside the new magazine in the Palace yard? If so the sooner they are put inside the better.

Frank Muller, a quack doctor, pretending under the patronage of the President of the Board of Health, was arrested and fined in the Police Court last week.

The stockholders of the Kauai Telephone Co. have elected the following gentlemen as officers: J. K. Smith, President; G. W. Wilcox, Treasurer; R. W. T. Purvis, Secretary.

The Honolulu Stock and Bond Exchange held a session on the 26th inst. But few sales were reported, prices for "gilt-edged" sugar stock remain unchanged.

Mr. Arundel so well known here by many warm friends is expected to arrive almost any day in his yacht Kalakaua. Mr. Arundel's last port would be at Sydney Island of the Phoenix Group.

Considerable progress is being made with the building of the English Church. A better idea can now be formed of the structure. It promises to be one of the most picturesque Churches in the city.

Sharks have of late, probably on account of the prevailing southerly wind and swell, been noticed quite frequently in the channel, one or two big ones being seen in the harbor. Bathers should be cautious.

The "Honolulu Rifles" are making satisfactory progress in unusual and marching movements and bid fair to become the crack infantry corps of this Kingdom, although that is saying but very little.

There was a great deal of disturbance on Emma street during the late hours of Saturday and the early hours of Sunday. Of course, the smart police force failed to be on hand until the row had entirely subsided.

Mrs. Leavitt the Vice-President of the Women's Christian Temperance Union spoke at the Kaumakapili church on last Sunday evening, to a large congregation of natives. Rev. A. O. Forbes acted as interpreter.

The Deputy Marshal has accumulated and acknowledges the inability to deal with the "numbers on carriage lamps" question. A return to the old order of things is the result of his slow but useless deliberations.

The settlement at Kakaako becomes a perfect lake in wet weather, and no means can be used to better the condition of affairs. A photograph of the place in this condition gives a far better notion of what it is like than any description.

"Chris" Buckley the noted San Francisco ward politician, accompanied by Mrs. Buckley and Mr. J. Driscoll, his amanuensis, has been staying in this city during the past week. The party left for home on the 1st inst., on the Alameda.

The Minister of Finance is in town again but has not yet officially returned to his duties, the Minister of Interior still being his deputy. So also is the Minister of Foreign Affairs still believed to be the Attorney General yet too.

Last Sunday, being St. Andrew's day, appropriate services were held in St. Andrew's pro Cathedral which were attended by a large congregation. His Lordship the Bishop of Honolulu occupied the pulpit at the evening service.

Lively times at the "merry-go-round" last Monday eve, a regular Marquis of Queensbury treat, in which one man was knocked out in 3½ minutes. A police officer (native) present, sentenced the fight, permitting freedom from arrest.

The road to Kakaako is in a dangerous condition in some parts, there are enormous dust holes and a wooden bridge over a drain is a positive horse trap. If any unfortunate quadruped chances to step on one particular board it is bound to break its leg.

Mr. W. B. Holmes has purchased the store formerly occupied by W. H. Reed at Hilo, and purposes to keep a full assortment of general merchandise. Mr. Holmes is favorably known in this city and Hilo people will be pleased to meet him in business.

Of old scissors there has been enough lately to shake the Kraken theory to its foundations. Last Monday morning there was a startling display of scissors. Not only was the eastern sky a rosy blood red, but the western sky was deeply tinged with the same hue.

Williams the photographer, took a view of the harbor early last Sunday morning and on the picture being printed it displayed a delegation of the Myrtle club up to their necks in water (they were all in a boat the night before) and two representatives of the H. T. S. C. in their shells.

"Aloha oe" is now the first piece of Hawaiian music published in sheet form. There is a song "Nani na puaa" Delano & Co., Boston, composed by Miss L. E. P. of Honolulu, there is also a hymn composed by Mrs. Dominis; the letter was, so far as memory serves (disengaged here.

The dangerous pitfalls, in front of the residence of the late Simon Kaai, are still open to catch the unwary traveller. It is plainly the duty of the police to report the existing dangerous condition of this locality and also the duty, when reported, for the Road Supervisor to remedy the defects.

On the "Roll of Honor" of St. Matthew's Hall, San Mateo, Cal., of which college Rev. A. L. Brown is the principal, the name of Kawananakoa appears with a credit of 90.3 for grammar, and 98 for deportment. Kawananakoa is one of the newly made Hawaiian Princes and he promises well.

The Pacific Slope and Rocky Hill Clubs, the former composed of Punahou boys, the latter of members of Fort street, Island College and St. Alban's College, had a game of football last Saturday. After a sharp, but short contest the Rocky Hill's carried the day, in spite of being much the lighter team.

The outer part of the Barracks have a very much more trim appearance than heretofore. A trophy of grass shot and so forth has been arranged on either side of the gates, giving a business-like appearance to the little fort. It is understood that precautions are to be made in the interior as well, at present the divine are in a very bad condition.

The P. M. S. S. Australia from San Francisco arrived in port here at 7 a.m. and sailed again for the Colonies, at 6.30 a.m. on the 2nd inst. Mail dates to the 24th inst. were received. The delay in arrival, being two days behind her time, was caused by delays on the Atlantic side, and the unremitting severe and continuously adverse wind and swell while on the way down.

Mrs. Leavitt will give a series of three lectures on Temperance this week, on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday evenings at the Y. M. C. A. Hall. The subject on Wednesday evening will be "Woman's Work for Temperance in America." It will be the first public meeting under the auspices of the recently organized Honolulu Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

The Road Supervisor of this district is of late seemingly very instructive to the comfort of the public, his attention having been drawn to dangerous cavities in front of the late S. K. Kaai's residence and also to defects existing in the road from Kaiulani Wahini road, we are officially informed by the aforesaid Road Supervisor to change for the better the existing disconforts.

The static wells of the Honolulu club, and the six-oared Shrimps of the Myrtle club, were exhibited by attendants on the 27th ult., to the public on the 28th ult. The greatness of the crack single shells proved too much for the balancing powers of two of the military contents and they moved a drowning. The yachts Lone, Mood and Jessie spread their white wings to the light southerly breeze prevailing and manoeuvered within the precincts of the harbor.

The local concert at Emma Square on the evening of the 27th ult. (Thanksgiving) was listened to by a large audience who seemed to thoroughly appreciate the musical treat presented by the performers. The numbers of the programme comprised a medley of selections from compositions of Brell, Sullivan, Godfrey, Strauss and Berger and included "The Star Spangled Banner" and "Hawaii Ponoi."

The anniversary of the recognition of the independence of Hawaii by the Great Powers, was officially recognized in the Kingdom on the 28th ult. Government offices were closed, flags displayed from government, consular, and englishmen flagstaffs and a salute was fired. The military paraded and many members got drunk, as usual.

The "Hibernia" society held an impromptu fair in the vestry of Fort Street Church, on the afternoon of the 29th ult., and the opportunity to purchase some useful and ornamental articles was taken advantage of by numerous friends of the organization, the general public being also well represented. The proceeds from the sale of articles as well as refreshments will be devoted to missionary purposes.

The occasion of the first public performance on the organ obtained for Waikiki church occurred at that office on the evening of the 28th ult., Mr. Percy Taylor the well known organist manipulating the instrument to the entire satisfaction to a large and fashionable audience, amongst whom were H. R. H. Princess Liliuokalani, H. R. H. Princess Likelike, H. R. H. Princess Kaiulani, His Ex. Governor J. O. Dominis, and Hon. A. S. Cleghorn. Other musical events consisting of solo, quartette and chorus combinations made up a programme of exercises the performance of which reflected credit on the participants and gave pleasure to the audience. On the third another concert will be given in the near future at which Governor Dominis will personally take part.

The singing club concert will take place next Saturday December 6th, at 7.30 p. m., in the Y. M. C. A. Hall. The programme includes vocal solos by Hon. Poly, Miss S. Parke and Mr. Hasselman, a duet duet by Miss Parke and Mr. Hasselman, a trio by Mrs. Stanford, Miss J. Renton and Miss L. Lewis, instrumental solos, violin by Mr. Turnbloy, flute by Mr. Morse, piano with quartette accompaniment by Miss C. Castle and a novelty, saxophone solo by Mr. Michiel, and the other numbers will be filled by the orchestra. Tickets may be had at Thrum's, Oat's and Lycan's stores, and at the Y. M. C. A. Hall, where seats can be reserved.

HAWAII.

Mrs. Hemenway had a magic lantern exhibition at the Hall church, Hilo, on Saturday evening, November 22nd. There was quite a large attendance.

A new tenet of the Hilo foreign school commenced on Monday November 24th. Every seat in the building was occupied.

There has been a very heavy swell on the Hamakua coast during the past week and the Lehua was in consequence unable to land her freight.

German laborers have not been a success on some of the plantations of Hawaii. They seem to suit better in Kauai, but it is a great lottery, for even there they have caused considerable trouble.

Queen Emma has been spending a week at Hilo, the guest of Hon. J. Nawahi. The foreign residents generally paid their respects to her on Monday November 24th. She returns by the Kinau to Honolulu to-day.

The regular monthly social of the Hilo foreign church was held on Tuesday evening, November 25th, at the house of Judge F. S. Lyman. There was quite a large attendance. The heavy rain of the evening not preventing the appearance of even Queen Emma and suite. Rev. Mr. Goodall of Hamakua, and Mr. Blackman of Hilo entertained the Company with readings of a high character, which with the music was highly appreciated by all present.

The weather at Hilo has been remarkably fine for some time past.

What is Religion?

FATHER DAMIEN'S SUNDAY EVEN'G SERMON, NOV. 23TH.

TEXT, ROMANS 13: 8. "Ye do owe no man anything, save to love one another; for he that loveth his neighbor hath fulfilled the law."

What is Christianity, or religion? The Bible, church, creeds, ordinances, etc.? No, making of all those. It is a living condition of the human soul; it is not what a man believes, or how he worships, but what he is, and how he lives. It is important that a man should have right beliefs; but his right beliefs do not make him a Christian; his wrong beliefs do not prevent him from being one. Religion is a state of being, not of believing. "The Kingdom of God," we are told in the Bible "is not in forms, ceremonies, or institutions," but it is "in you;" it is in every man why loves God and his neighbor as himself. This is the central thought of this text. Let me its certain truths in your minds:

1. We need to distinguish sharply between what is essential in religion, and what is only external. Christianity means to many the history of Christ, and his apostles, and his church, and its victories, and its forms, ceremonies, and outward parts of the Church. But these are only the externals of Christianity—the wrappings. Christianity is a living force in men, transforming, changing their narrow, selfish, hating, ungodly lives into broad, charitable, loving Christ-like lives. That is Christianity. We need to be careful not to confound the thing itself with its externals. A cradle is an excellent, and useful thing, but it is the baby in it which is the important thing. And so of the trappings of churches, and creeds, and institutions—they may be important, useful, helpful, but they are not the all important thing; that is Christianity itself which these envelop, and which sometimes is hidden and lost sight of in the admiration and veneration of the wrappings. If all these accessories of religion, churches, creeds, institutions, etc., were to perish, religion would still live. You do not destroy the man when you burn down his house. Leave him life, and energy and he will build another, and perhaps a better one. Destroy all these externals of religion, and there would still be the free of men and women who would form new, and perhaps better creeds, churches and institutions. Religion would still live, and would make for itself new externals.

2. It is over externals that most divide and quarrel, and destroy religion itself. What has caused the bitter bitterness, sharp quarrels, disgraceful divisions, and devastating religious wars, which have during the past nineteen centuries so harrised the church of God? Questions of interpretation, scholastic philosophies, religious, and forms of church government. And what but these things divide Christianity to-day into sects? Men wrangle and divide over polemicals, incidentals, and the mere wrappings of religion, and never over religion itself. Face to face with love combustion and heavenly cause. "When heart to heart, man see eye to eye.

3. And this suggests that there is no such thing as infidelity in regard to true religion. It is the mere externals of Christianity about which men doubt and infidelize. It is the wrappings that have doubted. All down the ages the church has been so busy telling its "mind" of ordinances and "mind" of doctrine, and its "memorial" of church government, that it has passed over religion itself, viz., love to God and man. The church have hated each other, and killed each other because they could not agree about mere shibboleths of doctrine. Men have been so fierce for a certain method of baptism, that they would drown an opponent in order to convince him? Is any man so wicked as to imagine Jesus Christ would turn away in exclusive from such puerilities? And in our own day is it any wonder that there are infidels when military and candles and the proper position of a minister at the altar, are vital issues? And if a so-called Christian church is full of bickering, strife, and unseemly quarrels, and by its example preaches a doctrine of hate instead of love, need we marvel if it makes more infidels than followers of Christ? As I read church history, and as I read the history of much of the church-life of to-day, I do not marvel that there are so many infidels. I wonder that there are not more. But there never was and never will be in fidelity as in what the New Testament defines as religion. And a man who what Paul calls "the fruits of the spirit" is a man who is a true church, and his heart will respond to these. His soul may reject the Christian's creed, but he will be drawn to the religion unwrapped within it. He will say, "Religion or no religion, that man has something I want, and everybody needs. Look at his life!"

4. This and compresses all religion, the commandments, the law, into one word, Love. And this is in line with the teaching of the New Testament. "Not only in answer to the question, "which is the great commandment?" said in effect, "Love God and your neighbor." Paul in the 13th chapter of 1st Cor. sums up all the elements of religion in the one word, love. It is the very heart of Religion. Destroy it, or fatally injure it, and religion is dead. Destroy or fatally injure love, and man's heart, and though all his ceremonies and formities may be perfect, he is dead. A church, though perfect in its creed, and government, and institutions, and service, is a dead thing without love. All these things become but the trappings around a sepulcher. And without love, the man who has no love, no matter how he may have been regenerated, he has been no transformation in his life. No matter how moral, and orthodox he may be, he is still selfish, un-Christ-like, ungodly. If love does not rule him, he knows nothing of religion.

God grant that we may catch the spirit of the Gospel, that we may live in harmony with this Dispensation of love in which we live. May our hearts be so filled with Love, that our sympathy will go out to those who most need us; may love send us to every loving care. May love lead us to self-denial, to self-sacrifice, to self-control, and helpful, in a word Christ-like. Then, though men may reject our doctrine, they will accept and yield to our Christianity, enthralled in these, and in our loving hearts.

Let me close with three thoughts, in conclusion:

1. What a happy world this would be if all men obeyed this text, if love ruled in business, in society, everywhere. If we so loved our neighbors that we would no more cheat him than we would ourselves; that we would no more injure him than we would injure ourselves; that we would not cheat him from his rights, or wrong him, or lie about him, and create him than we would ourselves. This earth would be a Heaven. Armies would be disbanded; our navies would be changed into merchantmen. Jails, prisons, poor houses, courts and officers of law would be needless. The lawyers would have done away land mode like an outworn garment. What a spring of misery and mischief would be shut up and dried up, if that promptness to hard, harsh, and frequently unjust thoughts, were by the indwelling spirit of love rooted out of the minds of men. How many whose world live in the hearts of all men would! It would silence the voice of slander; it would stay the plane of the sedducer and adulterer; it would close every saloon, and dens of infamy and gambling houses; in a word it would bring in the millennium.

2. And this suggests that if the millennium ever comes it must be brought in by love. Love only can conquer man. Every other weapon has been tried—lights, fires, criticism, penalty—and have failed. Love only has conquered. Love born in a stable, driven into poverty, cruelly reviled and by his own nation, betrayed by his bosom friend, executed while praying for the man who thrust the spear into his side—love seemingly so weak, defeated, and powerless, has proved the conqueror of all ages in the world's history. And all the history of these 19 centuries points to Love, saying, "do this conquer." 3. You have here a very simple test, as to whether you are a child of God or not. I do not ask, God in this text does not ask, "what do you believe?" "But what are you?" The test question is not: "Do you believe in the Trinity, or in this, or that doctrine," but, "Is the spirit of Christ within you? Do you love men? Do you love God? Does love or self rule you?"

Thanksgiving Day

In response to the request of the American Minister Resident, who entered the desire of the President of the United States, Thursday, the 27th ult., was observed by Americans in this city as Thanksgiving day, and appropriate services in commemoration of the occasion were held in all the Churches of the city. At the Roman Catholic Cathedral a High Mass was celebrated, at which the Bishop of Olba officiated, the services being of that admirable solemnity and magnificence which appeals so strongly to the feelings of the benefited.

At Fort street Church, the official services were held, consisting of organ voluntary, choral service, prayers, etc. And a sermon by Rev E. C. Oggel, the exercises being closed by a prayer of thanksgiving and the delivery of a benediction by Pastor Cruzan. The services here were attended by a large audience, consisting of members of the Royal Family, members of the consular and diplomatic corps and government officials.

At the Anglican pro-Cathedral special services were held, commencing at 11 o'clock, the Bishop of Honolulu, assisted by Revs. Wallace, Mackintosh and Swan, taking part in the exercises.

The day was observed in the city very generally as a holiday, the government offices being closed after 11 a. m., few business houses being open after noon, and American flags were displayed in profusion. The weather during the entire day was clear and pleasant, wind light, southerly, thermometer 84° in the shade.

Artesian Wells

A correspondent furnishes a very interesting report on the artesian wells of Denver, Colorado, published by the Colorado Scientific Society. The discovery of artesian well water in Denver was made in the spring of 1882, and the object of the report is to give information about such wells in general, and the wells of Denver in particular. Since the discovery over 80 wells have been sunk, the depth of the shafts varying from 300 to 600 feet. The pressure of water in some of the older wells has been materially decreased by the sinking of new wells, thus the well of the Lion Brewery which had a pressure of 40 feet was reduced just one half when the Denver Brewery well was sunk. In the Windsor well the water will no longer flow, but has to be pumped. The report says that in some cases the flow has been surprising, that the greater number show a decrease and that in one or two cases the flow has ceased. The causes of decrease are lost, the sinking of too many wells, second, defective casing and packing. Special attention is called to the prevention of waste of water from this source and legislation is asked for. The cost of sinking wells at Denver is $2 per foot. From a lengthy passage in the general resume, we should be inclined to think that the artesian wells of Charleston, S. C., are in character like our own wells.

News was received in this city on the morning of the 2nd inst., that Dr. Enders of Maui, had died on the evening of the 1st inst., at his home. Much regret is expressed at this sad news.

THE READY REVOLVER.

Adolph Spreckels Shoots M. H. De Young.

SAN FRANCISCO, NOV. 19.—Late this afternoon an attempt was made by A. B. Spreckels, a son of Sir Claus Spreckels, to kill M. H. de Young, proprietor of the Chronicle, in the business office of that journal, on the same spot where his brother was assassinated three years ago. Spreckels fired two shots before he was seized and disarmed, one of which took effect in the shoulder and the other in the arm of M. De Young. Mr. Spreckels was shot in the arm by one of the office clerks. Mr. De Young is severely and painfully, but not dangerously, wounded. The act was occasioned, by the criticisms of the Chronicle on the Recipro-city treaty with the Sandwich islands, the effect of which was said in the Chronicle to be to make the General Government and the people of this coast to large sums for the almost exclusive benefit of the Spreckels family. Spreckels was held to bail in the sum of $300.

SAN FRANCISCO, NOV. 24.—At 10.15 o'clock last night Dr. Rosenberger reported that M. H. de Young, taking all in all, had experienced a fairly comfortable day. He passed a rather restless afternoon, due in great measure to his naturally active temperament. After 6.30 o'clock, however, he fell into a sound and comfortable sleep, from which he had not awakened at the time of the doctor's report. The present indications are favorable and Mr. De Young's physicians express the hope that by to-morrow they will be able to furnish still more satisfactory information. The patient's wounds were dressed in the morning and the dressings will remain on until this morning, when it is proposed to put on fresh antiseptics until to-morrow.

At the hour at which the report was received the patient's temperature was 101.3 and the pulse 90.

In answer to questions, Dr. Murphy said that while he did not consider De Young out of danger, he felt more hopeful for his life than he did on Friday. The insertion of the drainage tubes into the shoulder had operated successfully, and a considerable amount of pus is being drawn from the wounds. Dr. Murphy also stated that the subclavian artery, which it was feared at first had been injured, was not seriously scraped by one of the bullets. No attempt to find the second bullet has been made, as the operation necessitated by such a course is deemed dangerous. In consequence, the bullet will be allowed to remain where it is at present.

A groundless rumor was circulated on the street yesterday that young Spreckels was suffering from blood poisoning in consequence of the wound inflicted in his arm by Emerson, the clerk of De Young. The statement, however, was denied by members of the Spreckels family.

That Reception.

EDITOR GAZETTE:—Your blunt way of putting things displeases some. Why will you always call a spade a spade? Politeness is the rule of life and euphemisms might be used, even when you have an unpleasant truth to tell. How much worse is the manner in which when I say you have done wrong. In your last issue, speaking of the few people that attended the Palace reception on the 17th, you say that the people did not choose to go. You are very much mistaken. The fact is they were anxious to go, but they were afraid! This is an entirely new view of the affair, but the strict enquiries which I have made, determine me in my idea.

This is also your fault. You will remember how, during the session of the Legislature, you pointed out the dangers which would arise from the building a powder magazine close to the Palace. You will remember how you alarmed the loyal citizens of this place by picturing the probabilities of an explosion. The seeds of distrust you then sowed have only taken root too well, and the cowardly set of office seekers, of whom you, Mr. Editor, are one, positively dared not go to the Palace on that evening, for fear of risking your precious skins. Every office seeker among you from Sanford B. Dole down to your office boy was really dying to be there and make his sweet acquaintance here, but the fear of being blown up was too much for all of you. What proves that I am right beyond a doubt, is that a story is current now, that certain Nihilists have engaged a yard close to the Palace and are preparing to dig a tunnel under the magazine and blow the whole thing up with dynamite.

How noble appears the conduct of the Ministers and office holders, when we come to see the thing in its true light. How grand it was to see the Minister of Foreign Affairs, in his embroidered uniform, the Minister of Interior minus his blue spectacles, the Attorney-General with his ever beaming features, and the crowd of minor notabilities, though wearied with their attendance on the Royal Incubator and the monuments of the day, calmly brave the wounds and death from 7.30 to 10 p. m., in the service of their Royal master. It was a touching sight, and one calculated to show to all miserable cavillers how great their aloha for places—I mean for their sovereign is. What mattered it that the Palace was not crowded? The uniforms were flaglayed, the lamps were lighted, the grand turned out, everything was Royal and imposing, and the Court Gazette published a brilliant account next day. Who cared whether you cavillers came or not, certainly not this

SUPPORTER OF THE GOVERNMENT.

(We publish the above, as we always like to give both sides of a question. If we were in the wrong we will be ready to apologize. We would like our correspondent to give us a little more information as to that Nihilist story.—ED. GAZETTE.)

Wedding.

On Monday evening, at the Fort Street Church, Miss Marion R. Robertson was married to Mr. Herbert C. Austin. The church was prettily decorated with white flowers and ferns. A large number of friends were present to see the happy couple united. The ceremony was performed by Pastor Cruzan. The bridesmaids were Miss Mary Willder and Miss Hattie Austin. The groomsmen were Mr. J. Austin and Master George Austin. As the party entered the building the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding march rang out. The services were short but impressive and to the tunes of the Swedish wedding march the party retired and drove rapidly to the residence of Judge Austin, where a brilliant reception was held. The bride was gowned in white satin, trimmed with white lace and wore a long lace veil. The bridesmaids wore white organdie skirts and pink satin bodices. Many friends crowded around to wish the happy couple every happiness and with three the GAZETTE heartily joins.

A Happy Party.

The members of the Myrtle Boat Club took occasion on the evening of the 28th ult., to celebrate the victory won by their crew in the six-oared race. Strangely all the lads regretted, for giving a feast, on the premises belonging to Hon. J. J. Dowsett, situated on Punchbowl street near the water front at present occupied by Mr. Glover. The invited guests to the festivities of the occasion included His Majesty, Hons. J. O. Dominis, C. R. Bishop, H. A. G. Hart, Frank Ansten, Vice-Commodore, H. T. R. C.; Mr. C. B. Wilson, Captain, and Mr. W. M. Gifford, Secretary of the same club; Messrs. Morse, Markham and Holt of the Honolulu six-oared crew, Mr. J. Seeley the crew trainer, and Mr. E. D. Gilbert, of the Pacific Club Gazette. The arrangements for the happy occasion had been placed in the hands of Mr. J. J. Dowsett, Jr., and when the company had assembled, the feast set before them showed how well that gentleman had fulfilled the duties entrusted to his care. Vice-Commodore Wilson, of the H. T. R. C. was delegated to the place of honor at the head of the table and filled the arduous duties of toastmaster with consummate ability. Speeches were made and toasts drunk in honor of everything and everybody, the pioneers of the "four oared crew" being full of enthusiasm which they gave vent to on every possible opportunity. After adjournment was made to the parlors a season of song was indulged in, the company being favored with vocalizations by Mr. A. J. Cartwright, Hon. Chas. Brown, Mr. W. McBryde, and Mr. J. Seeley, the accompaniments being performed in an artistic manner by Mr. J. J. Dowsett, Jr. Another "feast of reason" was indulged in, Messrs. F. Wundenberg, J. Corbett, J. F. Brown and others being called upon to express feelings on the cause of the happy occasion. It was midnight before the happy party separated, well pleased with the evening's pleasures.

A Charming Affair.

The "Gleaners" Fair at Fort Street Church was one of the charming little affairs that our girls originate. Tables loaded with fancy work from the little Misses' fingers, a flower and candy stand, a refreshment table, and a fish pond, were the attractions. Add to these attractions the ever-flowing supply of ice cream and cakes, all home made, and cause enough is shown for the handsome receipts of something over $250, which will net, at least, $200. A large promenade crowded, but not enough to surround all of that ice cream and cake, the remainder of which was sold at good figures, to a number who wanted cool dessert to a Sunday dinner. Perhaps the public does not know what these little Gleaner girls are doing. The name of the society indicates their object to be the gathering of the remnants after the older workers shall have reaped. Their success is proved by the fact that they wholly support a missionary lady in Micronesia, a Bible reader in China, a girl in Kawaiahao Seminary and in part a Bible reader in Honolulu.

New Advertisements.

NOTICE.

A SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING OF the Board of Trustees of the QUEEN'S HOSPITAL will be held at the room of the Chamber of Commerce, on THURSDAY, December 4, 1884, at 12 o'clock. For order, F. A. SCHAEFER, Secretary.

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