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ORIENTAL GAMBLING

New Chinatown is One Great Game.

CHILLINGWORTH LEADS CRUSADE

Fan Tan and Che Fa Players Are Being Remorselessly Hunted Down.

THE local Police Department has for some time past been conducting a crusade against the Oriental gamblers of Honolulu, and, thanks to the indefatigable efforts of Deputy Sheriff Chillingworth, several hundred offend-

ers have been convicted and punished during the last three months.

This, however, appears to in no way deter the Oriental gamblers, and hardly a day elapses but a score or more are conducted to the police station.

The Japanese and Chinese will gamble, particularly the latter, and it is no uncommon thing for a Pake to be arrested for gambling at Waikiki in the morning and rounded up on a similar charge the evening of the same day at Palama or Kalihi.

The police as a rule base their operations against the gamblers on information given by a person who is usually under obligations to the Police Department or who expects to be. Very often such clues prove valueless and result in nothing more than a wild-goose chase.

Often as many as four or five attempts are necessary in order to capture a gang of suspected gamblers. Somehow or other they get wise and when the officers of the law arrive on the scene of the game they are greeted by an empty room or the spectacle of a dozen or so Chinamen innocently sipping tea and conversing amiably together.

As a rule it is difficult to obtain money in a raid on gambling Orientals. At the first sign of police interference the cash is spirited away, and when the officers put in an appearance the gamblers are found playing presumably for buttons.

It is surprising the amount of ready cash a Chinaman can lay hands on in an emergency. In a big raid it is the exception rather than the rule for a man to be unable to secure bail money.

They stick to each other like brothers and it is this that hinders their conviction for vagrancy, or, as the penal code puts it, "having no lawful or visible means of support." Ah Sing may be prosecuted for vagrancy, and rightly so, but Ah Moy will swear at his countryman's trial that Ah Sing has been cooking rice for him for the last six months.

Gambling joints are to be found scattered throughout the city and in every suburb. When the police are more unremittently zealous than usual, hastily constructed shacks, erected solely for gambling purposes, spring up like mushrooms on the hillsides and barren places where flourish the lantana and the cactus.

The long two-story tenement houses which grace the new Chinatown, Ewa of Nuuanu stream, are nests of Oriental gamblers and games are in progress night and day. Magoon's Long House in Kakaako harbors an army of negroes and Kanaakas who gain their livelihood solely by dallying with the dice, and when funds are low, by petty larcenies.

Each race has its favorite games. The Chinese affect "fan tan," "pai kau" and "che fa." The little brown man is generally disturbed while patronizing a game of "chuck luck" or "Russian War." The natives and the negroes swear by "craps" or "seven eleven." The elderly Kanaka plays "che fa" religiously. With him the game is exalted to the dignity of a profession.

The principal stamping ground of the Oriental gambler covers a large area Ewa of Nuuanu stream. The district has become thickly populated since the fire of 1899 destroyed old Chinatown and its denizens to take up their abodes across the river.

The whole district is one great gambling den and it is to be hoped the present police crusade will sweep the foundations from beneath the gambling associations and relegate the joints to an obscurity of dust and decay.

The Chinaman is a born lover of speculation but holds to the games of chance that are wholly his own or have become such by his race. Fan tan, Chinese adopted by his race, Pai kau, Chinese lottery and pai kau are distinctively Chinese, che fa and craps are adopted games.

Sunday and Monday are the gala days in the Chinese quarter, for it is then the Chinese laundrymen from miles around congregate in Chinatown. Occasionally these laundrymen and their helpers go to these laundries for the purpose of purchasing supplies of soap, starch, food and clothing for the following week. And yet gamble is they come to the right word; it might more truthfully be said that they come to be robbed by the stant eyed sharks who pose as gamblers; for in the various games of chance the element of winning is reduced to a minimum.

To the person passing through Chinatown no evidence of gambling is apparent; everything wears a look of parent; innocency. A sign in Chinese characters posted to a building tells the characters posted to a sign tells the tale. It reveals to John Chinaman that there is a game or maybe two going on inside.

A fantan outfit consists of a lot of

THE HAMAKUA FOREST FIRE STILL HAS THE UPPER HAND

Plantations and Homesteads May Lose \$100,000. Coffee Farms Are Being Denuded---Geo. Osborne's Place Nearly Gone.

HAMAKUA, Hawaii, August 15.—Editor Advertiser: The fire is still raging in the forest of Hamakua, and it begins to look as if the entire forest will be swept away. Some idea of the magnitude of this fire may be learned from the fact that the manager of the Kukaiua plantation with a large force of men has been fighting it night and day, ever since the Fourth of July; and can make no headway against it. The managers with large forces of men of various plantations have also been out, but can do but little good excepting to keep it out of the cane; and they cannot always succeed in doing that. It is estimated that the Kukaiua plantation alone has spent \$4,000 in attempting to stop this fire, and to keep it out of the cane. It is also estimated that the loss to the plantations and other parties will amount to not less than \$100,000, and the damage done to the forest cannot be known, as the fire and smoke debar any one from getting near it. It also begins to look as if all of the coffee plantations will be swept away. There has been quite a number of fires in them already. The worst fire so far has been on George Osborne's coffee plantation, which was one of the best on Hawaii, and which has been almost entirely destroyed.

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Whatever number remains at the last "rake," that number wins, and the player who has placed his money on that number wins 3 for 1, less seven per cent, which is called "soil" or "water," and goes to the bank. So, if a player bets \$1 straight and wins he gets \$2.73 net. If a player desires to play combinations he places his bet between the two numbers he wants to play, then, if either comes, he wins 11 less seven cents.

Sometimes the money is placed on a number and "coppered" a la faro; that is, the player places his money "Chang How," he puts \$1 on the III to win against the I to lose. Then he can only win if the III comes out and lose only when the I shows. If the II or IV should appear he gets another run for his money.

The croupier or banker, pays off all bets and takes in all the money lost, which is considerably more than that paid out.

Whether it is a superstition or not the Chinese do not care to have the Christian dally with their gambling games. They seem to cherish a belief that the Christian is a natural hoodoo and they will not let him play.

The stakes in Chinese gambling games are good United States minted money. The Chinese have a system of money but they don't use it in gambling.

Tsz fa, or the riddle game, is wholly a game of chance and does not find great favor with the more enlightened Chinamen for reason of its absurdity. Yet there are three well known banks operated by Chinamen in Honolulu, and their daily revenue is said to foot up to over five hundred dollars.

There are two drawings daily, one in the forenoon and the other in the afternoon. There are thirty-six chances in the game which composes the riddle, and each player has one guess. The banker or manager sometimes draws the outline of a person, animal, bird or fish on a big sheet of paper. Then various numbers are given to different points of outline. Each number represents a chance in the game.

When this outline has been completed the managers of the game give out a sentence something like this: "The black night is filled with strange noises." The game is now ready and agents are sent out to collect guesses as to the meaning of the line. The letters in the line hold the secret of the riddle. They may stand for make, monkey, box, money, spider, fine woman, shark, heart, bird, dead body, etc. The winning word is sealed up in a box which is opened at a stated hour.

Any amount of money is taken in the betting and the winning guess pays 20 for 1. The "black night" might mean "dead body," and the "strange noises" any one of a number of animals. It is all purely guesswork, but persons playing the game are very careful to observe the dreams they have the night before.

If a person sees a spider or the body of a drowned person in a dream, he or she will surely guess on the following day. The Tsz Fa Chang or Riddle Game Union controls the games in Chinatown. The game's agents play money for outsiders and are allowed ten per cent for bringing in the bets. If they win the winner also gives them ten per cent, but they don't make much money in this way.

The Chinese love for gambling is so keen as to be absolutely insatiable, and a Chinaman will perform almost any service for the sake of securing enough to indulge in a little gambling. When arrested they are as a rule very submissive. The Japanese on the other hand resist arrest until the last and it is often found necessary to use the club on them before they can be overcome.

Mr. Horner has also lost a large part of his coffee trees, and it is feared that he will lose the entire coffee plantation. These fires have, in most cases, been started by natives who must have known that they could not keep it within the limit of their own property, and we think something should be done to stop such criminal carelessness. We consider that when these men make fires they know they cannot control them, and then another road could be cut above the fire and so endeavor to save some part of the forest. As all of the ferns and brush are dead and as dry as tinder, and as a high wind is almost always blowing, it will be impossible to stop this fire unless it is done at once by a large force of men. I remain, yours, OBSERVER.



THE HAWAIIAN BAND will render the following concert program at Emma Square this evening commencing at 7:30 o'clock:

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The following guests were registered at the Waiwala Hotel during the week ending August 25:

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Five masked men held up a Missouri, Kansas and Texas train at Caney switch, Indian Territory, blowing up the express car and the treasure safe, rifling mail bags and compelling the passengers to give up valuables. Men supposed to be the robbers were arrested, tracked by bloodhounds.

Admiral Sampson may retire as commandant of the Boston naval yard on account of ill health. Admiral Mortimer L. Johnson will be his successor.

Kitchener reports thirty-nine Boers killed, twenty wounded and 539 captured with ammunition and stores as the result of the week ending August 20th.

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STATESMAN ONLY JOKED

Mahuka Isn't After Gubernatorial Honors.

HIS VIEWS ON ISLAND NEEDS

He is Just Now Concerned About the Approaching End of the World.

MR. JOHN M. MAHUKA, chief boatboy, yesterday complained of the talk lately in circulation about him and his candidacy for the governorship of Hawaii.

"I only joke," said Mr. Mahuka; "I know Dole, he before my Sunday school master at Kawaiahaeo Church, that long ago though; I see the missionaries take weapons against the Kanakas, and I say no good, and fight the missionaries, because I was hulu then. But some year after I have been thinking it over, and I see that it was the natives' own fault.

"That's why the other night I make the revolution to postpone the 'kokua' of the revolution to remove Dole. You see I will just make another revolution.

"You know, in old times, when the first missionaries stay here all the Kanakas good people; they go church all the time. Some churches that time have four, five thousand people; this time they have only ten or fifteen people.

"The Kanakas now drink and swear and gamble—that's no good. That's why God is made at them this time. I think all the pillkias come upon the people because of their wickedness.

"Now, next Thursday I make revolution that all Hawaiian people pray and fast all day, from morning till night, for four days. You know the Bible says to pray and fast.

"Now, when all the people fast for four days, God will pau hahu on this people, and will make the missionaries quit stepping on their neck, and then God will help them, and make the governor and his officials good, and make them love the people.

"Dole do a bad thing before, when the Home Rule party ask him for thirty days' more to finish up their business. He says 'No, because I hear your party take bribe money.'

"So we have Grand Jury; bring everybody there to fire them out, but they couldn't do it. Now, I believe he make mistake that way, and spoil our party's name.

"Now, my perfect idea is this: I have no charge against Dole, for the organic act says that 'When a man is incompetent you can remove him. But I see Dole today and he's no sick; he has got no pillkias at all.

"Then the Home Rule party make mistake, too. You see, for instance, my place up here in Kalulani tract, we have no water; here are plenty of people got land here, and live here a little while, then they get sick of packing water and go away. Plenty more people got land here, but won't build, because no water. That's because the party only vote \$10,000 for pipe, and now Jimmy Boyd says it'll cost \$18,000. If we get water here now, plenty of people come up here and build houses. Then the government makes plenty of money on taxes.

"What we want is money in the treasury, and I think we can get plenty

of money if we had Reports of Properties man over there. The Chinamans to work on for every Pake we get \$5 a Soc. U. E.

Of course, I know that ten million, too much, but we will get plenty. Manager. When Mr. Mahuka's attention was called to the laws concerning the exclusion of Chinese, he promptly answered that our representative would have to see to that that law was repealed, and in cases Chinese should crowd whites out of their employment, the President would be prevailed upon, so that he start a new war like the late Spanish war, thereby not alone giving employment to hundreds of thousands of men, but also giving an impulse to shipping activities such as the transport service, etc.

Last of all, Mr. Mahuka, by a very logical argument convinced the reporter that the world will come to a complete end at the year of the Lord 1996. The argument based upon the Bible and primary school arithmetic, is as follows:

The Lord made the world in six days and on the seventh he was pau. Now, the world at the birth of Christ was 4,004 years old; add to this the 1901 years since then, and you have 5,905 years. Now, the Bible says that a day to the Lord equals 1,000 years; our world at 1996 will be 6,000 years old—six days—consequently the fins.

Governor Dole's Position. Governor Dole states his position clearly on the subject of his rumored resignation in this issue of the Herald, and his statement should be ample ground for Messrs. Kaula and others for holding their peace for a few years. Like many other public men, Governor Dole has had his intentions guessed wrongly by persons who so wish, but up to date the guesses published in any form do not seem to have affected him to any visible extent. He has had a tremendous strain upon his system during the time he has been in office since the overthrow of the monarchy, and persons of less mentality would have given away under it. The rest he has had in the mountains has benefited him greatly, and he will return to Honolulu a living example of the falsity of some newspaper reports—Hilo Herald.

Camp Jackson, below New Orleans, which was made uninhabitable during the summer season by the mosquito, has been cleared of the pest by the officer in command of the garrison through the use of crude petroleum. It is now said that there is not a mosquito in the barracks.

The government was defeated in the British House of Commons by a vote of 183 to 141, on a proposal that textile factories should close at noon.

Capt. Hall, commander of the American guard during the Peking legation siege, has been officially commended by the Secretary of the Navy.

Fourteen men of the barkentine Priscilla, port of Halifax, are missing, and are believed to have perished.

BY AUTHORITY. SALE OF GOVERNMENT LOTS AT HILO, HAWAII. On Wednesday, September 26, 1901, at 12 o'clock noon, at the front entrance of the Capitol (Executive building), will be sold at public auction, Government Lots Nos. 1, 17 and 18, fronting on Waiuanue and Front streets, Hilo, Hawaii, containing 13,600 square feet. Upset price, \$20,000. Terms, Cash, United States Gold Coin. Expense of Patent Grant and Stamps to be paid by purchaser. Map of same can be seen at the office of the Superintendent of Public Works, Honolulu, and at the office of E. E. Richards, Government Land Agent, at Hilo. JAMES H. BOYD, Superintendent of Public Works, Public Works Department, Honolulu, August 24, 1901. 6945

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