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ENFORCE THE LAW.

Inquiry is common why the use of the "Fidelity Insurance Co.'s" property at Iwilei for immoral purposes, should not expose the owners and lessors to the punishment of the law.

The statute covering the case is as follows: "Houses of prostitution; punishment. Whoever keeps or maintains a house or place of ill fame used or resorted to for the purposes of prostitution or lewdness; whoever as owner or lessee or agent thereof, KNOWINGLY lets or permits any house or place to be kept or maintained for the purposes of prostitution or lewdness; whoever, as owner, lessee or agent thereof, suffers such house or place to be kept or used for the purposes of prostitution or lewdness, after having been notified in writing that such house or place is kept and used for such purposes, shall be fined not less than one thousand dollars nor more than one thousand dollars and be imprisoned for not less than sixty days nor more than six months at hard labor."

But see the little joker. This "Fidelity Insurance Co.," turns the leasing of its property (which was built for immoral purposes) over to a house-renting agency; this agency then leases it to a Japanese whom it "did not know" to be a man who would make bad use of it; and the Japanese sub-let it to people whom he "did not know" were women of the town. Thus everybody concerned have got around the law—or think they have—which requires that the lessor shall not KNOWINGLY rent property for immoral use.

However, there is a chance left to reach the people who are batten on the profits of vice for the law says that "whoever as owner, lessee or agent thereof, suffers any such house or place to be kept or used for the purposes of prostitution or lewdness, after having been notified in writing that such house or place is kept or used for such purposes, shall be fined, etc."

Under this section of the law one might properly call upon the authorities to notify in writing the owners, lessors and sub-lessors of the Iwilei property of the obvious character of the tenantry and then, if nothing is done to abate the nuisance, to let the law take its course.

AMERICAN ALIENS.

Representative Kaniho is one of those bizarre statesmen of a former school who regard Americans in Hawaii as interlopers. Though a member of an American legislature—the only one in which such a man could possibly appear in any higher capacity than assistant doorkeeper—he continues to regard himself as a citizen of a foreign land. Witness this as a sample of his dress for holding an American office:

Kaniho had a few words to add supporting the bill. He had been told that many of the lady typewriters in government offices in Honolulu were Americans. They are getting large salaries, he said, and it was a shame that aliens should be employed when there are Hawaiians here anxious to get the work.

A shame that Americans should be employed in a department of the American public service. A pity that people who, in Kaniho's opinion, do not deem themselves Americans, should not supplant those who do in official employ. One is tempted to inquire how much of this Territory the people Kaniho represents own in fee simple and when the sovereignty of the United States over them came to an end.

Evidently Kaniho fossilized as long ago as 1899.

If Miss Davison cleared up the charges against her, as she certainly did, and as the Government has been the gainer rather than the loser by her years of enthusiastic work for the schools, where is there any justice in turning her out? There seems in this whole affair to have been prompt action on hearsay; but it is now supplemented by most dilatory action in doing justice to the wrongfully accused.

And so now rumor has named one Judd for Pinkham's position and another for Atkinson's. As far as the presidency of the Board of Health goes it would at least be decent to provide a corpse before commencing to prepare the funeral baked meats.—Star.

The patient's case is said to be hopeless and the political undertaker is inventing a concrete coffin which is bound to be a perfect fit.

The Japanese do not intend to let the retreating Russians stop to fortify themselves, hence the continuous advance. Probably Harbin is strongly defended and possibly Kirin and the Japanese do not want to be bothered with intermediate earthworks.

The new battleship Kansas is to be christened with a bottle of oil. The Japanese evidently look for a smooth untroubled career for the newest ship.

ANTI-SEGREGATION BILL.

House Bill No. 176, to amend the leper law, ought not to pass. Under its terms a leper suspect is to be examined as to "whether or not he is suffering from leprosy and capable of spreading that disease." Further along the bill requires that where a suspect is found to be "not capable of spreading the disease of leprosy," he shall be turned loose. Obviously a good lawyer could free almost any patient under such a law by requiring proof that he was suffering—most lepers not feeling any pain—and that he was capable of infecting others, the latter being a question requiring first a solution of the mystery of how leprosy is communicated.

The bill undertakes further to establish a leper colony at Kailhi Receiving Station in the suburbs of Honolulu. Instead of the present plan of taking a leper there for examination who, on being pronounced diseased, is sent at once to Molokai, the measure provides for a Kailhi hospital where a leper may stay for treatment "until cured or until declared incurable." It is optional how long the attempt to cure may be continued and in the meantime the lepers "shall be allowed to receive visits from their relatives and friends at proper times and under proper regulations to be made by the Board of Health, such regulations to allow such freedom of intercourse between the inmates of said hospital and their relatives and friends as shall be considered by the Board of Health proper and safe."

The object of this measure is to weaken the segregation law and thus meet, half way, the wishes of those who, in their ignorance of what is best for everybody, would annul the law altogether. So far as hospital treatment for lepers is concerned that is already provided for at Molokai and the facilities are to be widely improved and extended by the United States. Another hospital here would be a waste of money. But the chief objection is to identifying Honolulu with a leper colony, especially one where there would be a mingling of the clean and unclean. If such a thing as that ever should happen, the Promotion Committee and the tourist hotels would feel justified in taking down their signs.

The Metropolitan Meat Co. finds that a lowering of the price of beef has not increased the demand for it. Probably the reason is that more and more people are coming to regard beef as an enemy to health in the tropics and are using fish, eggs, milk, poultry, vegetables, fruit and the like at meals where meat was formerly the principal food. If we recall correctly the proceedings of the annual meeting of the Metropolitan Meat Company it was stated that the by-products of the market, eggs, poultry, etc., paid better than the beef. The total daily sales of the latter staple gave Honolulu a very low per capita consumption. While it is to be regretted that the Metropolitan Company finds any part of its business unsatisfactory it is good to know that Honolulu is beginning to appreciate the fact that the stout food of the temperate zones cannot be used to the extent common there in a land where it is always summer.

For the fifth time in a month Russia has announced that she will go on fighting. The expected effect on the Japanese loan, however, doesn't materialize.

MISS BERNER.

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Then President Jordan made a remark of startling import. His manner was of as much significance as his words.

"I know all about them and their work," said President Jordan. It may be inferred safely within the bounds of careful interpretation that President Jordan meant to convey the conviction in his mind that not all the doctors and chemists and officials connected with the investigation in Honolulu are at least trustworthy.

"Do you mean to say that there was a conspiracy or an effort on the part of any one to make it appear that Mrs. Stanford was poisoned, when as a matter of fact they knew there was no evidence to support such a theory?" Dr. Jordan made no reply. The interviewer persisted.

"Are we to believe that some one mixed the strychnine crystals in the bicarbonate of soda after Mrs. Stanford took the dose from the bottle in order to make it appear that she had been poisoned?"

But the president was through with interviewing along this line and he gave no intimation one way or the other.

MISS BERNER PARTOOK OF SODA. "Is it true that Miss Berner partook of the bicarbonate of soda the same evening Mrs. Sanford did, as you set forth in the cablegram you ordered withheld just before your departure from Honolulu?"

"Yes, Miss Berner did take a dose of bicarbonate from that very same bottle. She took half the quantity Mrs. Stanford did. Miss Berner felt no ill effects whatever, she says, she detected no bitter taste and there could have been no poison in the soda then."

The president said Miss Berner took her dose of bicarbonate a short time before Mrs. Stanford measured out half a tablespoonful. It appeared to be clear to Jordan's mind that the fact that there was no strychnine in the bicarbonate the secretary drank was proof conclusive that the soda was free of crystals when Mrs. Stanford took her portion shortly prior to death.

AN ASTONISHED ENGLISHMAN

A little incident of early morning life in the Police Department has just come to light. It happened last Saturday morning when the Mongolia was in port. A gentleman, "from dear old Lunnon, don't yuh know," and connected with the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, was among the passengers on board the liner, and became acquainted with Prince Cupid on the voyage over. On his arrival in port he expressed a desire to inspect the workings of the local police and fire departments and Cupid volunteered to show him a thing or two. Senator Palmer Woods was called into consultation and after some inspecting had been done it occurred to the gentlemen that it would be a fine thing to see the horses go.

The investigators did not have the nerve to turn in a fire alarm, but they had their fun in another way. Armed with the Senatorial prerogative to investigate, Senator Woods escorted the party to the police station and there requested that the party be given the services of a bicycle officer, as they wished to investigate Iwilei. The request was granted, and the party started out in a hack. Whether they visited Iwilei or not is not known, but subsequent events showed that the purpose of the expedition was to test the efficiency of the police force.

At 3:45 in the morning Station Clerk Robert Parker was leaning back in his chair wishing for daylight and the next relief, when suddenly the Gamewell recorder began to tick off the dots and dashes that spell out the call for a "fast wagon," a signal that nothing less than a dying man, a murder or a riot will occasion. "Bob," nearly twisted his fingers off in his hurry to set the indicator, but in a moment the big gong was banging out "2-1-6," the number of the police call-box at the corner of South and King streets. Everyone in the station piled out to see what the matter was. "Billy," Woods even came up from the tanks to inquire. Driver "Joe" Love got into quick action and showed something fine in the way of a quick hitch-up, and in a few seconds the wagon was dashing through the door and with the horses on a gallop disappearing down the street.

Meanwhile the Englishman and his party were at the box waiting for developments. The Britisher had his stop watch out and gazed at it through his monocle, ever and anon casting an expectant glance down the street. A minute passed, then the seconds dragged on one, by one—fifty, fifty-five, fifty-six, fifty-seven—what is that? It can't be the wagon. "Yes," the excited Britisher yells; "Gawd love us, here she comes." Two seconds later, one minute and fifty-nine seconds after the alarm was rung in, Joe drew his horses up before the box. The astonished Englishman looked him up and down, then glanced at the wagon, and finally exclaimed, "Lawd love us, this is as fast as they do it in old Lunnon, 'don't yuh know.'" And that is a compliment, don't you forget.

A CORRECTED VERSION.

A section of Prof. W. D. Alexander's statement to Commissioner A. F. Judd was printed yesterday with a line missing. Following is the correct version: "By the act passed July 9, 1850, Sections 1 and 2, it was ordered that 'about one-twentieth part of all the government lands be set apart for the general purposes of education,' and that it should be 'the duty of the Minister of Public Instruction in consultation with the Minister of the Interior, to designate said lands, which designation, when approved by the Privy Council, shall be valid.'"

RUSH SOLACE REPAIRS.

VALLEJO, March 18.—A telegram from the Bureau of Steam Engineering says that all repairs to the United States steamer Solace, under the direction of the bureau, must be rushed to completion by May 10th next, as the ship is scheduled to sail promptly on May 15th for Cavite with stores, ammunition and men for the Asiatic station.

"Here, take this rifle!" cried the excited showman; "the leopard has escaped. If you find him shoot him on the spot." "Which a-spot, sir?" gasped the green employee.—Ex.

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