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A PROSPEROUS COUNTRY.

Mr. George E. Boardman has returned after a trip to Japan, and expresses himself in enthusiastic terms about the condition and prosperity of the country of the Rising Sun and the Japanese nation. He went to Yokohama on business connected with his agency for Japanese immigration, and also visited Tokio and other ports.

Mr. Boardman is under the impression that the Japanese Government will take firm stand in Hawaii in regard to the labor question, but he does not seem to think that there is any pronounced anxiety in Japan to further immigration to these islands. Formosa, Corea and China are great outlets for the superfluous population in Japan. Commercial Associations have been formed with the intention of establishing manufacturing centers in China, and in the near future it is likely that cotton factories and other mechanical establishments will be run in Chinese cities by Japanese workmen.

The financial state of Japan is excellent, and the money market is very easy. Money, in fact, seems to be plentiful all over the country, and Mr. Boardman says that economy in Japan has been brought down to the finest scientific basis. There is no waste anywhere.

Very little is heard about the war, and there is no inclination to boast or inclination to boast or swagger over the recent victories. In fact, says our informant, there was more talk about the war in Honolulu than in Yokohama.

The Japanese as a nation are a most pleasing people. Their religion—Buddhism and Shintoism—contains the doctrines which make a Japanese courteous and friendly to all, and full of devotion and reverence to his ancestors. They are a loving people, easy to please, and possessing a pronounced admiration for the beauties of nature from a child to a flower. A drunken man is never seen in the streets, and crimes are rare and far between. The "Christians" of the civilized countries might do well in importing a little civilization from the "alleged barbarian" East.

While in Yokohama Mr. Boardman met Whaley of Halcyon fame, who is the proprietor of a saloon, and who is doing very well. Mr. Whaley has no intention of returning to Hawaii, and he spoke freely about his share in opium importations to Hawaii in days gone by, and explained the mysterious miracles through which at one time opium was turned into bricks, straw, molasses, etc. This information

was of special interest to Mr. Boardman, who at the time was deputy collector of customs. It is not proper, however, at the present date to rake up the by-gones and mention the names of the miracle makers as given by Whaley.

Mr. Boardman has made arrangements in regard to importing labor from Japan as soon as circumstances again allow the running of the business. But, at present, it is doubtful if more Japanese can be obtained. The cholera in Honolulu and the disagreement in regard to the interpretation of the provisions of the labor convention have checked the importation of cheap labor for the time being.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Palama people plaintively plead for pedestrian privileges in the presentation of proper pathways or sidewalks. This "best government" has neglected the people Palama—wards always.

Chortles the Star:

"The new Minister of Foreign Affairs seems to fill the bill to a nicety."

Is it the Eleu's bill? Everything in connection with this Government seems to begin and end in a bill.

We are informed by the Star that

"Minister Hatch carried a law book and a bundle of documents up the gang plank of the Coptic when he left for Washington. The envoy is armed with a choice collection of briefs on the subject of "closer political union." These include the treaties on the annexation of Texas, the admission of California and Oregon and the acquisition of Louisiana and Alaska."

Was that all he carried?

The late Father Damien's brother will arrive on Friday, to stay at Kalaupapa, Molokai. He will there take up the work of the deceased Father, and fraternally watch over his tomb. He does this by direction of his superiors. As there is no necessity for more than two priests at the settlement this has necessitated the removal of Father Conradi. It is understood the latter gentleman will leave for the States in the summer, bearing with him the memories and regards of his pious work of self-abnegation.

The anti-sugar trust fighting combination of P. C. Jones and the other members of the \$700,000 fund must have fallen out with the Advertiser for it quotes approvingly from the Louisville Journal:

"It is a shallow trick to incorporate a monopoly in one State when it is intended that it shall do business in another."

And it suggests if New York state can down the monopolies in one effort "the politicians will be forced to take up a more active campaign." How about Hawaii?

A gentleman of Portuguese extraction named Jacinto de Mello was arrested on Thursday on a charge of insanity. He had been consulting Dr. Herbert. The Star in relating the case apparently justified the charge by asserting that

"De Mello was formerly a small merchant and later worked on the grounds of the Government buildings. He is noted for several peculiarities, one of them being gruffness."

More people ought to be arrested for insanity if these are to be considered good grounds.

The Star has got the alphabetic variety of malarial fever and informs us that

"The prosperity of the Y. M. C. A. and of the Y. H. I. signifies the growth of all that is best and that is devoutly desired for a community. Honolulu is extremely fortunate in having these organizations. Each is a power in its field. The work they do is keenly appreciated. The H. A. A. C. is another creditable union of young men."

Commendation is good in its way when deserved, but why seven letters of the alphabet should signify "all that is devoutly desired for a community" is a mystery to the average thoughtful man.

"English as she is wrote" in the columns of our local papers is even more amusing than the facts detailed. Look at this from the Bulletin. "It is not uncommon to see the sidewalks passing the latter places littered with banana peels and other refuse." Now the question arises who saw the sidewalks passing? It is a case, as the Advertiser sapiently but ungrammatically remarked the other day, of "the world do move."

A custom amongst printers here is to arrange articles and local items by size and not according to tenor. The type-setters have an idea that the appearance of a paper so set looks well from an artistic standpoint. But the juxtaposition sometimes looks queer. Look at this from the top of last night's Bulletin's local column—one item following the other:

"Scottish Thistle Club meets this evening.
One drunk paid the usual fine this morning."

In such combinations do the practical allude to result. Our own columns, no doubt, suffer in the same way.

"The galled jade winces." And the Star is so badly hurt over our criticisms on the finances of the country—as published in the advertising columns of the Star—that it suggests our "unbiased advice" would be of advantage to "Cuba, China, Formosa, Corea, Madagascar or even France or the United States." Probably it would. But we are not endeavoring to run those places on Hawaiian lines. It is enough to show up the malihinis here who act in direct opposition to the statement of the Star. "Like all free lances, however, the monetary scientists have a large field. The world is their oyster." And they make Hawaii the entering wedge for their oyster knife.

What does the Advertiser mean? What "progressive spirit" is displayed in the Western States by the fact of a Japanese experimenting on silk culture in Oregon? Have "the Western States" left their "progressive spirit" to the despised Oriental? The remarks which follow (taken from the editorial columns of that paper) are incomprehensible as well as incompatible with its previous assertions in regard to American and Asiatic labor.

"Silk culture promises to be an industry of more or less importance in Oregon. A Japanese has been experimenting in that State for some years, and his exhibits for this season are commented on very favorably by experts. There are many people in this country who might profit by the progressive spirit displayed in the Western States."

At times the Star becomes a source of "innocent merriment." It says: "W. N. Armstrong is likely to go into book-making at almost any time." Does the Star mean to insinuate that the "pink chimpanzee" and ex-Herculean Grecian god of the Advertiser is now about to go on the turf? It further says "he has in storage extensive notes on his tour of the world with the late King Kalskau." So have other people. Possibly more interesting than W. N.'s. The last remarks it makes are as follows:

"And on his recent visit to Japan he pursued investigations along lines untrod by the writers who have paid tribute to Miss Crystanthemum, and to the Japanese soldier, to the scenery and to the industrial prospects."

We shall simply refer to Yoshiwara No. 9.

Referring to the three inspectors under the Board of Health the Bulletin says

"Under the circumstances before related the inspectors cannot be blamed for these isolated nuisances. They will no doubt pay attention to them *even now*, if notified by any who observe such thing in their daily walks or drives."

Probably this is sarcastic, but it is unkind to the inspectors. It further goes on to say:

"In the meantime it is incumbent upon the old office staff of the Board of Health to be more vigilant than ever in looking after sanitary conditions throughout the city. It would also be well if the general body of citizens would manifest some of the public spirit that animated them in the great volunteer campaign, and, keeping their eyes and noses in detective trim, report promptly to the Board of Health office every nuisance that they discover."

What the old office staff ever had to do or have done in looking after nuisances, except those who write letters is a mystery. Also why should the average citizen—with or without a barber's assistance—keep his nose and eyes in detective trim is another. Wouldn't it do to keep them in his head—and his tongue likewise?

Now For The Race.

The Advertiser bicycle contest is closed. Angus, King, and Sylvester have been selected by the community to ride in the race, which if weather permits, will take place this afternoon at 4 o'clock. The start will be made from Palace Square, and the course will be from the starting point to James Campbell's gate at Waikiki, where a short turn will be made and then turn back to the Square. J. O. Carter, Jr. will act as judge at the Waikiki end, and W. W. Chamberlain at the finish. The following rules have been agreed on:

The start will be from a line drawn opposite the Waikiki end of the Pacific Tennis Court, Union Square.

It will be a standing start and each rider will be allowed one starter who may push his man not more than the length of two steps over the line.

Start will be made at the firing of a pistol.

Leaders must keep to the right of the road and one passing to take the lead must go to the left.

In the event of a rider being thrown near the finish, he may run in to the line with his wheel.

None but those whose votes entitle them to positions will be allowed to take part in the race as competitors or pacers.

The course will be from Union Square to James Campbell's gate at Waikiki, where a short turn will be made, and then return to starting point.

The judges will appoint starter and timekeeper on the ground.

All persons are requested to encourage the men by keeping horses and carriages off the street while the race is in progress.

A New Departure

We have always heard much about the Hawaiian kahunas and Hawaiian medicines and practical remedies for illness and ailments. Allowing that the kahunas, as a rule, indulge in a lot of unnecessary humbug (so do some of the foreign doctors) it cannot be denied that many of the Hawaiian herbs have healing and beneficial effects.

Thomas Spencer has compiled and published in book form a Hawaiian medicine book which will be found of service to the Hawaiians who cannot afford to call in medical help for every trifling ailment, or who live in the country districts at a distance from a doctor.

The author has eliminated all "deviltry" and kahuna humbug, and only refers to the well established medicines of the Hawaiians. The sources used by Spencer are King Kalakaua, David Malo, E. Heleku-nihi, and other students of Hawaiian history and customs. The little volume of 120 pages also contains a biography of certain prominent alii and a chronology of events in Hawaii's history beginning about the year 1200.

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Honolulu, Oct. 25, 1895.

It has been demonstrated in a most serious manner during the late epidemic of what vital importance pure water is to all human beings. While our medical men have differed in opinion in regard to the nature and treatment of the epidemic which now fortunately is ended, there has only been one opinion in regard to the imperative necessity of having an ample supply of pure water for all purposes. In Honolulu the water supply is now plentiful both for drinking purposes and for irrigation. The same cannot be said for the country districts. In many places it is necessary for the inhabitants to carefully save rain-water in tanks especially where artesian wells are impossible.

It has been a great help to people living in the country that we have introduced the celebrated Aermotor in these islands. Many people have availed themselves of the golden opportunity to purchase one of our galvanized Aermotors, and they, have in all instances expressed themselves as highly satisfied with the bargain.

The Aermotor is especially appreciated because it runs in the lightest wind. Being geared back three to one, it starts with only a third of the load that the ordinary mill has to contend with. This enables it to start and run in a zephyr so light that all competitors stand idly by. Again, its lightweight and perfect bearing enable it to face up to and get the full benefit of the breeze. The wheel is so light and its efficiency so great that it is an absolute calm indeed which induces it to stand still.

The lightweight of the Aermotor is a strong point in its favor. The weight affects the cost of transportation; the ease of handling and erection; the facility of turning on the tower to face the wind for work; the regulation for safety in a high wind; the recovery of working position when danger is past; the sagging of the tower out of shape; the vibration and breaking of the tower in a storm and consequently the weight, strength and cost of a tower and foundations. The Aermotor only weighs about two-fifths as much as the other mills which do the same work. The great disparity in weight is in part made possible by the use of steel, malleable iron, and the very best materials throughout, and explains why so excellent a piece of work can be turned out at so low a price.

We invite farmers and others who have use for an Aermotor to call in at our stores, or write to us and we shall be pleased to give every further information necessary in regard to this invaluable farm implement.

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