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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

THE INDEPENDENT knows whereof it speaks. Editor Smith was taken down in the police patrol wagon after the noon hour last Thursday and we fail to see what there is objectionable in it, for all are liable. He is not above the law, is he?

Sure, the Aloha Aina newspaper is really the leading one among all our contemporaries in the vernacular, and again repeat that it is inclined Democratically straight. All others, properly speaking, are secondary. The above was inadvertently omitted in speaking on its behalf the evening before last.

Our contempt muddle seems as very strange proceedings. When our Courts are not in harmony one with another, as is plainly to be seen, the country cannot expect capitalists to make investments here. What will the end and the outcome be? It will have to be seen yet again and further.

An American Churchwoman recently told the writer that those people who have been clamouring persistently and the most for a change will rue the day when an American Bishop comes here in this Diocese, now a missionary district. She said that then they cannot do what they have done, but will be made to obey and to do what is told them, otherwise they will be given their passport. When that occurs, they will then think of Bishop Willis and the liberties those low and alleged Churchmen enjoyed under his Episcopate. We hope to live to see that day and to see them out. Time will tell.

For horror's sake, the conduct of the Advertiser towards Bishop Willis is something very ungentlemanly, uncouth and highly improper and uncalled for. If its editor is all what is claimed for him by its

henchman on the Star, THE INDEPENDENT has utterly failed to find it to be the case. No gentleman with any pretensions, to self-respect would do what is being done towards a prelate, unless it is for sinister or ulterior motives or purposes, but in other words it is all for political purposes. What can be expected from one who traduces helpless and defenceless women?

THE INDEPENDENT is of the opinion that if Bishop Willis did not consummate the consecration of the Cathedral Church of Honolulu to St. Andrew, its patron, as originally intended as a memorial to Hawaii's former monarch, an American Bishop who is entirely American in heart and soul and not in sympathy with the Hawaiian people, for how can he have any sympathy for them, being altogether a *maliki ni*, he might consecrate it as a memorial to McKinley, which would be entirely against our grain and acrimonious to the Hawaiian people. As it is, it is now dedicated once and for all, no matter what and who shall come hereafter. Therefore, the consecration is perfectly proper and in accord with the original intentions of those who have gone before us.

While touching upon our "carpet-bag judiciary" recently, THE INDEPENDENT stated that in making Federal appointments, that it was rightly within Federal province to do so. But in the instance following, THE INDEPENDENT will inadvertently from the position then taken, being of the opinion that all Federal appointments should, by all means and in all cases, if possible, be made from among those of the country and are residents here of long standing, irrespective of race and colour, and especially from among those who have families dependent upon them. No carpet-baggers should be imported and introduced here. Enough good material can be found within these insular confines to fill all positions of trust and emolument without feeding outsiders and utter strangers at that. Will our Federal appointees see that they do their duty by this country? More will be heard later on this matter, if the occasion should call and demand it.

Finis of the McCarthy Assault Case

The case of the Territory against William McCarthy, which will go down in the annals of the Judiciary as the "cause celebre" of the February term of 1902, came to an end at 1 o'clock this afternoon when the jury filed into the courtroom after an absence of 10 minutes, and rendered a verdict of guilty of assault and battery. The accusation was assault in the first degree. McCarthy was sentenced to serve a term of 6 months at hard labor in Oahu Jail. In passing sentence, Judge Gear remarked that the evidence showed a most cruel and cowardly assault and he regretted that the jury had not found him guilty of such. The penalty in such a case would have been six years.

Orders came from Washington yesterday reinstating Will Hanna to his former position in the registry department of the Post Office. He was suspended several days ago for alleged infraction of the regulations and an appeal was made to Washington.

The Honolulu Athletic Club, is making extensive preparations for the international tug-of-war, which is to be held in a few days under the auspices of that club. The following teams have been entered so far: Wola-ka-Hao, Alu-ka-Uwa, Polioe, Portugues, All Americans and German.

FLAGRANT INFRACTIONS.

Certain Doings of Our Local Postal Authorities.

As already announced to its readers yesterday that THE INDEPENDENT would to-day bring before them what it claims is a flagrant mark of partiality in the management of the local Postoffice. THE INDEPENDENT herewith presents the facts and leave its readers to draw their own conclusions:

In August of last year the free mail delivery was inaugurated in this city, with a force of 10 carriers. Four of that number are still in the service, the six others have left to accept better positions and better treatment. Three weeks after one of the original carriers had severed his connection with the service, he was arrested by the U. S. Marshal on a warrant sworn by L. T. Kenaka, on the charge of delaying the mails. It appeared from the proceedings held at the time that 30 days before he left the service, a package was found underneath his desk unmailed. The package was not wrapped up and no stamps had been affixed to it. Still Kenaka ruled that it was "mail matter." Why such a long time elapsed before he was arrested, does not appear clear to any one.

Another mail carrier (No 4) was suspended for 30 days, without pay, for an alleged infraction of the rules.

While the two above mentioned carriers were made to feel the full severity of the law, others enjoyed the friendship of the cashier to a marked degree. Reporting late for duty or absence from work were offense punishable by fine or suspension. Carrier No. 5 one day asked for a permission of two hours to go before Judge Estes to get his naturalization papers, but did not get it until he pleaded hard for it and even then he was warned that on the next occasion he would have to put a man in his place and pay him for his work.

One day last October, the Alameda arrived from the Coast with a very heavy mail. A carrier asked leave to go down and meet the steamer as an acquaintance of his was a passenger on board. Permission was readily granted and the carrier, since that time never went back to the postoffice. For several weeks afterwards his name was carried on the payrolls although he was working for a private concern and not for the postoffice. But he had friends at court and his position was kept for him in case he wanted to go back. On pay day he was sent for to sign the payroll, the rules and regulations of the department notwithstanding. The excuse of a vacation cannot be brought forward, as it is explicitly stated in the rules that no clerk or carrier shall be entitled to a vacation until he has been one year in the service.

We rest our case, and the public is left to judge whether or not two weights and two measures are in use at the local postoffice.

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A Further Cause for Contempt.

George A. Davis appeared before Judge Gear yesterday afternoon and requested that a citation be issued for the High Sheriff to show cause why he should not be punished for contempt in not obeying the mitimus of the court in the case of Walter G. Smith.

Mr. Davis claimed that the body of Mr. Smith was not delivered before the Supreme Court, according to law, and therefore that the writ of habeas corpus is not valid. It is claimed furthermore that the mitimus is still in full force, and that Walter G. Smith ought to be re-arrested. The Circuit Judges seem to agree that no further action should be taken by them at present, but will await for developments.

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