

Local * and * General.

The Peacock block, the *ne plus ultra* of Hilo buildings, is fast approaching completion.

The P. M. S. S. China is due here from Japan, en route to San Francisco, on Tuesday next, the 24th instant.

Sheriff J. H. Coney, of Kauai, returned to Nawiliwili by the steamer W. G. Hall on the 17th instant.

Mrs. C. M. Cooke, with her daughter Alice, left by the steamer W. G. Hall for a brief visit to friends on Kauai.

Cricket is now occupying the time and attention of local enthusiasts, at the Makiki grounds, every Saturday afternoon.

The fifth assessment on the Waialua Agricultural Company (\$10 per share) became delinquent on the 16th instant.

Hon. Henry Waterhouse and wife left by the steamer Claudine on the 17th instant, for a brief visit to friends at Lahaina and Kahului.

The Trustees of Oahu College have passed, and published, a series of resolutions in memory of the late Dr. C. M. Hyde.

The local horse-influenza seems to be gradually increasing, although without, as yet, any serious effects.

Olaa sugar stock is stated to be getting a Kihei "move," on the selling figures, having jumped several points during the week.

Honolulu horses are being threatened with an epizotic disease; care should be taken that the infection is not passed to the other islands.

Brother Bertram, the superintendent of St. Louis College, left for Hilo by the steamer Kinau on the 27th. His return is expected next Tuesday.

The U. S. Transports City of Para, Charles Nelson, Sikh, Rio de Janeiro, and Valencia all left, troop-laden for Manila, during the past week.

The deep water fleet in Honolulu harbor during the past week, consisted at one time of 8 steamers—3 ships—8 barks—3 barkentines—8 schooners—and 1 brig.

The steamers W. G. Hall and Claudine are due from island ports tomorrow (Sunday) morning, and the steamer Mauna Loa will sail for Hawaii (Kona) ports on Monday.

The "kickers" of the High and of the Punahou schools will engage in a football match at the Recreation grounds, Pikoi street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

Mrs. Horace J. Craft (nee Helen Wilder) is again in evidence, in her creditable work, as a police-commissioned officer of the local society for suppression of cruelty to animals.

The Hilo Tribune states, in substance, that Supt. Vanetta of the Water Works and Capitalist Rob. T. Forrest of that city, celebrated their birthdays together during the past week. Hilo has experienced a dry time ever since.

The public offices, banks, schools and many business establishments, were closed on the 19th instant in respect to the memory of the dead Minister, J. A. King. Flags were displayed at half-mast throughout the city and on shipping in the harbor.

The Hilo Band has now become an independent institution, to the effect that the members of the band give their services publicly, "pro bono publico," and pay their own expenses.

"Trade" showers have moistened the parched vegetation and dry earth during the week past, but to a limited extent only. Superintendent Pratt, of the Water Works, is, Oliver Twist-like, calling for "more."

Two companies of the 6th U. S. Battery, now stationed at Honolulu, left town on Tuesday, under command of Captain Slater, for a tour around this Island. The battalion will return by Wednesday, the 25th inst.

The funeral of the late Rev. C. M. Hyde took place on Sunday last, the 15th inst., from Central Union Church, the services being attended by a large concourse of friends. The body was deposited in Nuuanu cemetery.

The Pacific ferry-boat, the popular steamer Australia, is due in port here from San Francisco about 5.30 a.m. on next Wednesday morning, the 25th instant, having made the voyage in 6 days, 6 hours and 25 minutes, or thereabouts.

Manager Steele, of the Hilo Tribune, has been in the city during the past week. He was an attendant at the Masonic funeral of the late John Phillips, and will be at the funeral of the late Minister King.



KAIULANI.

Plautus, he, in olden story,
Said of those whom Gods loved well,
They, with earth should leave their glory,
And with Gods, above must dwell.

Fare thee well, dear Kaiulani,
If forever, fare thee well;
Hawaii mourns her Kaiulani,
Gone above with Gods to dwell.

Moonlight concerts by the band, under Capt. Berger's leadership, were given during the past week at Emma Square, Thomas Square and the Hotel grounds. The usual Sunday concert will not be given at Makee Island on account of the band being at the funeral of Minister King.

Dr. Richard Oliver, the resident physician of the "Wards of the Nation" settlement at Kalaupapa, Molokai, paid a brief visit to the city during the past week. Dr. Oliver reports that the health of the "wards," as regards the usual "ills of flesh," is good, but that the younger element pine for a—baseball outfit!

The body of the late Minister King will remain in state, for public view, at the Executive Building, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. on tomorrow (Sunday). The funeral cortege will very probably start at 3.30 p.m. from the building.

Business Manager Harkinson, of the Boston Lyric Company, has made many local friends already. He intends to extend his acquaintance to the outlying points of interest between this city and Waialua during the coming week.

The contempt case instituted against Manager Paine of the Tramways Co., was dismissed by Judge Perry on the 17th. In connection with the injunction suit against the company, by one T. S. Southwick, it has come to light that many papers of value to the Tramways Co. in the suit, have undoubtedly been deliberately stolen from the office of the Minister of the Interior.

Col. Clinton A. Galbraith a well-known practitioner of Hilo, visited the capital during the week past and expressed surprise at the presence of so many transports in port and the orderly manner in which the soldiers were conducting themselves when on shore leave. The Colonel met many old friends among the officers in command. Hilo is hardly prepared to accommodate the transports yet.

The Chamber of Commerce met in regular meeting, and decided to offer the Hawaiian exhibit, now at Omaha, to the Government for exhibition at Paris. It was further agreed that although the Planters' Association had guaranteed the money for the exhibit (to be reimbursed by the Government), the Commissioner to the Paris Exposition named by the Government would be approved by the Chamber.

Boring for water, for an artesian well, was commenced at 3.30 p.m. on the 18th instant on the Kawaiahao church grounds. Mr. L. E. Pinkham is the contractor, and is sanguine of a good flow being obtained at about 800 feet depth. The supply-pipe will be ten inches in diameter, and the water will be used for irrigating the park and the churchyard grounds. Mr. J. Lennon, a practical well-borer, is in charge. The estimated expense of the flowing well is placed at \$4000.

The roar and screech of the Chinese planing-mill, situated on the corner of Bethel and King streets, will be hushed in that vicinity, in the near future, by removal of the works to the Oahu Lumber Mill company, beyond King street bridge. It is proposed, by the owners of the land now occupied by the mill, to erect a modern brick building, work to commence thereon immediately.

The Japanese have developed a "highbinder" class which seems to have control, to a certain extent, of the "other half of the world," that is permitted to exist on Pauahi street. The efforts of Mr. T. B. Richards to remove the prominent presentation of vice and immorality to more secluded quarters, demands assistance from the general public. A schoolhouse, filled to overflowing with young pupils, is within the immediate vicinity of the public outrage to decency, now existing. *Consurge!* Attorney-General, Board of Health, Board of Education.

A peculiar, said to be, practical, joke, was played by some unknown on the throttle of the steamer Kinau on the evening of the 17th inst. The joker tied a cord to the steam-throttle, lead it ashore and, when opportunity offered, pulled it, thus opening the valve and causing the engines to work, the joker then "silently stole away." Luckily, the Kinau was well made fast, and the banked fires allowed but little steam, or the revolving propeller would have forced the steamer into the steamer Maui, lying broadside-on and just ahead. A watchman stopped the engines.