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WEATHER YESTERDAY.

Mean Temperature—74 degrees. Maximum Temperature—67 degrees. Minimum Temperature—50 degrees. Rainfall—0.00 inch. Wind—Northwest 10 to 15 miles per hour.

WINDS.

North-northeast 9 to 14.

FORECAST FOR TODAY.

Fresh northerly winds, medium weather, some likelihood of showers.

BUT A CHARTER WILL COME.

The charter for Honolulu will be one of the first things that the coming legislature will take up, and it will stand the mercantile and other property holding classes to be prepared to meet and beat all kinds of rabid legislation.

If the Star means by this that it considers work for a charter "rabid legislation," and we take it that it does, from its past attitude upon the subject, we wish to warn it now that "the mercantile and property holding classes" who try to beat down charter legislation will find themselves bucking their heads against a wall.

WOMEN ON CHARTER COMMISSION.

In making selections of members of the charter commission by the various political parties The Republican would suggest the appointment of several women upon the commission. Women are as much interested in good government for Honolulu as the men, and in fact even greater interested, for good government means much to every mother.

The Republican would also suggest that it would be a mistake not to have some of the newer residents of the city on the commission. Many of the old residents have been here so long that they have lost track of the things connected with city government, while newer members of the community have in many cases held important positions in city and municipal government in the States, and their experience in the past would be valuable to the commission.

HONOLULU'S CONGESTED COURTS

The Island of Oahu has not less than 60,000 population, three-fourths of which is within what is generally known as the city of Honolulu. In no city or county of the same population in the western states or territories of

the United States, and particularly in ocean or river cities where there is a large amount of shipping and general business is there less than two courts corresponding to the circuit courts of this island to transact the legal business. More often there are three such courts. In Los Angeles county and city, California, in 1888, they found the three superior courts so overwhelmed with work that the legislature of 1889 was asked to and did increase the number to five, and yet at that time the population of the city was only a little over 50,000, and of the entire county 191,000 inhabitants.

Here in Honolulu we find one circuit court and only one judge attempting to transact the work that should not be attempted by less than two courts, and to insure speedy trials, as the law contemplates, should have three circuit courts with the corresponding number of judges.

For some time before the territorial government was organized many matters had been allowed to pass along in the circuit courts without adjudication, while all during the plague time nothing whatever was done by either of the two circuit judges then on the bench, thus permitting cases to accumulate until the calendar was unduly congested. When Judges Humphreys and Silliman were appointed there were nearly three hundred cases on the calendar, a number that in the ordinary course of legal business would take three judges at least a year to clear off the calendar, even if no new suits were filed.

Judge Silliman found he could not in justice to himself continue in the office for the salary paid, and soon resigned, leaving but one judge on the bench. All this time new suits have constantly been added to the list until now there are considerably over three hundred cases on the calendar and but one judge holding court. Judge Humphreys has been very active in keeping up the work of his court and has been universally praised by the bar for his dispatch of business, but neither he nor any other man can keep up with the growth of legal battles constantly coming up for adjudication. At the present time an important case is on trial which has been before the court for a week and will run at least another week, from present appearances, before it will be finished. In order to hurry up the work the court has begun the holding of night sessions, but neither the judge nor attorneys can keep up this pace.

The condition of affairs here is serious. So serious that the matter should be at once laid before the President and the Attorney General for immediate action. The Republican believes that it would be the part of wisdom for the bar association as a body to present the subject in strong terms to Attorney General Griggs calling his attention to the congested calendar here and to the utter inability of one judge to handle so much work as is before the circuit court of the First circuit.

We also believe it would be wise for the bar association to lay before the Attorney General the need of amending the Organic Act by providing for three judges for the First circuit of Hawaii, and the same should be pressed to the attention of the judiciary committees of the house and senate. Every one realizes that something ought to be done promptly to relieve the present condition of affairs, and who else can so well call the attention of the President and Attorney General to the matter as the Bar Association of Honolulu.

Mr. W. F. C. Hasson, deputy collector of internal revenue, is reported in an evening paper as saying that the article in The Republican about Collector Haywood going to San Francisco to try to secure Mr. Hasson's appointment as his successor was not gleaned from any reliable source, and is therefore not authentic. Strange, indeed! but then Mr. Hasson took care not to deny The Republican's statement. What this paper said about Mr. Haywood's trip is too authentic to suit the star chamber methods of the lobbyist and his deputy. Mr. Hasson is hoping against hope for that fat plum which the sugar planters' lobbyist is soon to relinquish.

And so W. J. Coelho thinks The Republican has libeled him. Well, well, if the good name of some people only equalled their gail and effrontery how wonderfully brilliant they would be.

Work Among the Heathens. From the Indianapolis Journal. "That lady missionary declines to go to Kentucky."

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in all important points, and consequently condemns the Porto Rican tariff, and discredits the policy of the United States in the Philippines. But it is only after a return, and the United States Supreme Court may not hold the same opinion.

The Drummer Complains. From the Philadelphia Press. These chumps won't buy our goods; they haw and hem. It's got to be—by jing!—A much too ordinary thing with them To order nary thing.

This certainly does not refer to Honolulu because no drummer leaves here without orders galore.

The Schools in Kau. To the Editor of The Republican: Sir—My letter to you regarding the Kan schools brought the board of education to time. It shows the power The Republican has. I would like you to contradict the following regarding the road to Hilea, etc.

The Republican in the notes from the meeting of the Board of Education states a letter was read from Hilea regarding the removal of the Punaluu school, and that there are only two rooms at Hilea and three teachers, and where to put the third teacher is the problem.

Now one of the reasons for the Board of Education for advancing the Punaluu school was that there is no place for a teacher to live at Punaluu. The third teacher, that the letter from Hilea has reference to is Miss Abbie Kekaula, living in Punaluu, and who has to ride to Hilea every morning to teach, and the Punaluu children so barefooted over a rough lava flow to attend the school, while an empty school house is laying idle with desks, etc., all ready to occupy at Punaluu.

KAMAALINA. Punaluu, Nov. 19, 1900.

Unkindest Cut of All. From the Sacramento Record Union.

Well! After all the worry and suspense it turns out that McKinley beat Bryan in the latter's own county, his own city and his own State. In fact, the Republican leader has over 6,000 plurality in Nebraska. Truly that is unkindest cut of all. A prophet not honored among his own is a sad citizen. Calamity is choked to death by prosperity in Nebraska. Even the Legislature turns up Republican and the hopes of the fusionists to nag the Administration from behind a United States Senatorship have "gone a glimmering."

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