

The Messenger.

THE HAWAIIAN QUESTION

As the Hawaiian question is at present the question before the American congress, and the real question concerning the American people, we make no apology for referring to it again at some length. We see it mentioned that the Hon. Carl Schurz, the most distinguished man of the German race in America, has happily said, that if Hawaii were annexed to the United States, it would "simply be the annexation of a vulnerable point." The reference was clearly to a lack of the navy. You will see that if the annexationists have it their own way, that the clamor will begin at once for a great increase of our already very costly navy. Why not let the Hawaiians continue to govern themselves if they are really doing it so grandly and wisely and successfully as is claimed by the enthusiastic cranks who are pushing the annexation. We are glad to see it mentioned again, that now nearly all the democratic senators are opposed to the treaty concerning the annexation. They are opposed also to any method of stealing the islands by the process described as annexation. We are glad also to see that such able senators among the republicans as Hoar of Massachusetts, White of California, Spooner of Wisconsin, Aldrich of Rhode Island, men distinguished for their leadership and their legal attainments in their party, are against this whole business. It is also thought that every day adds to the strength of the opposers, and that the defeat is already almost assured.

We see it mentioned that Senator Bacon of Georgia, is confident that the ratification will not occur. Ex-Minister Thurston, who was sent to Hawaii, is strongly in favor of the annexation project. He is in a fever of anxiety, lest our Pacific states should receive a great blow somehow by being unprotected, so the best way to prevent this is to take in these islands and add them to our country, with their three thousand population of whites. The statement of this, is a sufficient reply. In his anxiety however, he magnifies the intellectual standard and the educational standard of the hotch potch collections of people in the islands as in comparison with that of millions of Americans and even goes so far as to say that Hawaii is less illiterate than Massachusetts, all of which reads to us as so much nonsense.

We must mention here lest we forget it, that all the thirty-four democratic senators are said to oppose annexation, save crank Morgan, Pettus, Rawlins and Turpie. If this is correct, it is highly honorable as well as hopeful.

The men who are coaching the treaty, declare that the democratic party is essentially a party of annexation and therefore ought to go on annexing, of course taking in San Domingo, Cuba and the Hawaiian group of islands. They point to the Louisiana purchase, to the annexation of Florida and Texas, to the acquisition from the Mexican war, but the men need not know much or go far, to discover that the principle of annexation in the cases cited, and that the principle of annexation as to Cuba, Hawaii and San Domingo do not stand on the same footing but are altogether different. To control the Mississippi river was a necessity, it was adding to territory that was a part of the continent. With an expanding republic, the territory added was then, or would have become, a positive necessity. The additions consequent upon the war with Mexico, did not interfere with nationality in any sense, and it didn't bring in a class of voters into the union that in any way would become dangerous. It is very different, as we have tried to show in several editorials, in regard to Hawaii. It is a fact, we repeat, that it is only the government of Hawaii that seeks annexation, while the people at large, oppose it. The Savannah News very correctly says, that the government of the islands "is the product of a revolution which was aided by the United States navy and that it would not last a day if our government should withdraw from its support." We do not believe it is either honorable or wise or just for a great republic like our own, to in any way interfere with the national life of any people, and we think it the worst of precedents that could possibly be set. This movement being so vigorously pressed, is favored by the president, a republican, and by most of his party in the senate and doubtless in the house. So it is essentially a republican scheme of foreign conquest. It is an attempt to enable a foreign people to steal foreign territory, and yet simple Mr. McKinley has no more judgment than to say in his recent message that the confirmation of the treaty appealed to "every consideration of dignity and honor." With twenty thousand natives protesting against the treaty it looks very wrong, even dishonorable in us, to be plotting to swindle them out of their property, their home.

Among the signs of opposition, we record with pleasure that the American Federation of Labor in convention assembled at Nashville, Tenn., protested against the annexation of Hawaii. Senator Jones of Arkansas, the chairman of the democratic national committee, is out vigorously and squarely against this wild scheme. The statement of his opposition is brief and pointed, and is so excellent, that we

give it in full. The New York World gives it as follows:

He said: "I am opposed to it— "First, because I am unalterably opposed to extending our national limits beyond this continent. "Second, because the Hawaiian islands are so remote from our coast lines. Their defence in the event of war would be enormously expensive and troublesome to us. "Third, because they do no comprise sufficient area to make a state and their maintenance as a territory would violate the intent of the constitution. "Fourth, because it would be almost impossible for congress to devise a government for them that would not result in confusion and failure. "Fifth, because of the unfit and undesirable character of the population. No matter how favorable surroundings for improvement might be made, the large percentage of the population would remain unfit for citizenship. "These reasons seem to me to be self-evident and convincing."

Ex-Senator Dubois of Idaho has just made an extended visit to Japan, China and Hawaii and what he says is worth considering surely. He says that annexation will be against the bitter opposition of the natives, and that there are fewer than twelve hundred male Americans on all the islands, who are over twenty-one years of age, and he thinks nearly one half are opposed to annexation. Nothing, he says, but the support of our government, really keeps the present oligarchy, misnamed the republic, in power. These are important statements.

COTTON MILLING DEPRESSION

The Messenger recently mentioned the depression of the great manufacturing industry in New England, that there would be in January a wage reduction of ten per cent at the great manufacturing center of Fall River. The Providence (R. I.) Journal, among other papers of that section that understand the situation believes in the correctness of the report. It is an old, old story, often repeated within the last few years, of too much production for the demand. Last summer, in order to make good the frequent declarations of returning prosperity, the manufacturers in the east began to hurry up things, to increase the output of their plants, and to thus show that the tidal wave had started. The Journal says that the cotton cloth market is again greatly burdened by the great weight of goods made, unsold, and of small demand.

The Springfield, Massachusetts, Republican, an old and valued journal of conservative tendency, admits the cotton manufacturing and wage cutting depression. There seems to be no doubt about the excessive stagnation "up there." The Republican, however, is sceptical altogether as to this depression being the result of actual economic causes, as is the contention of the Dingley horn blowers. It wants to know how can the tariff of protection and prosperity permit such courses to continue on their evil course. Why don't it arrest them and lock them up. It is noticeable that republican protection organs greatly censured the democracy for any failures either of prosperity or of revenue making, under the half and half bill they passed. The Washington Post reminds the republican critics of the Wilson bill, that the New England manufacturers framed that bill so far as the cotton schedule was concerned. It doubts that "there are some things which legislation, cannot accomplish, and one of them is to make demands keep up with supply under all conditions." We believe that the tinkers will continue to tinker, and never find the real cause of the now acknowledged depression. After awhile, perhaps years hence, they will discover that finance and quantity of money have a great deal to do with national prosperity, and that means also cotton manufacturing prosperity.

THE NEW BANKRUPT BILL

The new bankruptcy bill has been reported to the house, or will be reported this week. It is believed in Washington that it will become a law. The business sense and necessity of the country have required such a general law for years. The bill reported by the sub-judiciary committee of the house will pass, it is believed, very much as it comes from it, and, without any radical changes. The bill provides for both voluntary bankruptcy and involuntary bankruptcy. Any one may file a petition and go into voluntary bankruptcy except a corporation. The latter may be forced into it, but not otherwise. Wage earners, laborers and farmers cannot be forced into it. All others are subject to involuntary bankruptcy for certain designated causes. In general, these involuntary causes relate to fraudulent conduct on the part of the bankrupt. This is understood to be a liberalizing of the bill of last session. It is in other words, framed largely on the lines of the Henderson-Culberson bill of last session. It is framed so as to make its administration or enforcement simple and inexpensive. The fault with other bankrupt laws was that they were cumbersome, costly, and filled with opportunities for fraud and rascality. A new and better law, avoiding these great objections and defects, would be popular as well as beneficial. The new bill involves only two officers, referee and

trustee. The former trustee receives no pay until the estate is closed, the referee is to receive a fee of \$10 at the outset, and when the estate is closed a commission of one half of 1 per cent. Various penalties not only against the referee and trustee, but the bankrupt in case of fraud are named.

ANOTHER SAD VICTIM

Another most deplorable accident has resulted from football. On the 14th inst., at Akron, Ohio, a nine-year-old son of Mr. W. H. Hunt died from injuries received in a game the Thursday before. He was crushed under a pile of players. Here is another warning to parents as well as to boys and men. It is not to be wondered at that there is war on the cruel, brutal game. As is known, Georgia, through its legislature, took action by an overwhelming majority against the game being played in that state. The governor very wisely vetoed it. In Virginia there is a bill reported by the committee of the legislature practically forbidding it. It will hardly pass, although a majority of the committee favored it. Ladies appeared before the committee urging a law against it. The antagonism is based upon the general demoralizing effects of the game as played, and the excessive brutalities attending it. One of the strange things of our times is the extreme infatuation of press and people for a game incomparably more dangerous and brutal than Spanish bull fighting or the prize ring of the bruisers. In the season of football just closing, lasting for less than three months, we believe, there were quite 200 injuries or casualties reported. Of these, ten were fatal, and perhaps seventy-five were of permanent injury. This country damns the other "athletic sports" that are demoralizing and brutal, but in less degree, but throws up his hat and shouts for football as a pleasant pastime and a glorious game. Morality, mercy and prosperity are all involved in stopping "the game as played this year and stopping it forever."

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SNAPS.

Ex-President Garfield was opposed to the policy of annexation in any direction.

What is the cause of the change in sentiment in Spain as to McKinley's message? Great offence has been given both to Spain and Cuba is now reported.

Famine and lawlessness are the latest reports from the Klondyke. Captain Ray, U. S. Army, reports an alarming condition of affairs, and he thinks a semi-military government imperative. Lives and property are seriously imperilled.

A Philadelphia Jewish society reports the census of Jewish population in the United States, taken by states. There are 937,800. In North Carolina there are 12,000; South Carolina, 8,000; Virginia, 18,000; New York, 350,000; Georgia, 7,000.

The experiment in Virginia in growing the sugar beet is so encouraging that a stock company to manufacture the beet, capital \$1,000,000, has been formed at Richmond. What is North Carolina going to do about the sugar beet product?

The Virginia general assembly has confirmed the will of the people, and on the 14th inst., elected Senator Daniel to the United States senate. It was well done, gladly done, rightly done. He deserves such honors from a great state he has so faithfully and ably served.

The partition of the old and great Chinese empire by aggressive Germany is well calculated to invite discussion. The latter has taken possession by force of a part of the ancient empire. The nations, seeing this, are opening a new question—Is it not time for the powers to carve up the empire and divide it out, thus opening it to trade and what is called sometimes very inappropriately, "civilization?"

HOME FOLKS.

Colonel Julian S. Carr is a true, consistent bimetalist. He did not for a moment conceal his views in the midst of the most "lonesome" surroundings as a delegate to the Atlanta convention of southern bankers. He concluded his cracking, clear, short speech with the bold declaration—"I am for the dollar

of our daddies, state banks, and free silver."

The schoolmaster is abroad in North Carolina among the justices of the peace. There are evidently some very enlightened specimens among the gang as at present organized for business. As a cheering evidence of this please read the following we clip from a newspaper:

"state of North Carolina Wilkes county 'on this Day Personally apired — and Did Depose and swear that one (blank) Did strak him with shoe on the Bake of the head and down his back this september the 19 1897 this Bein A gainst the peas and Diety of the state and Law of North Carolina. I (blank) Dew thair fore ishw my thair for the same given under my hand "this september 19 1897."

The warrant read as follows: "The Hon. County other Loful officer of Wilkes County gretns you air Comanded to arest one (blank) and have him Before me or some other justes of the peas of wilkes County to ancer to this wartt herin fail not at yores peril with the Date and maner of survis this 19 Day of September 1897."

NORTH CAROLINA.

Brittain Bros. shipped four car loads of cattle to Richmond, Va., Wednesday, says the Cherokee Scout.

Mr. A. Chatham, of Elkin, gathered this year 60 bushels of corn from twelve acres of bottom land, an average of fifty-four bushels per acre.

The Hendersonville Hustler understands that Judge Nowood has been tanking up some more. It was at Cherokee or Grant county.

The mountain fires did considerable damage to the new Waihalala road at Highlands, Macon county, by the burning of breastworks and bridges, says The Press.

Shelby Aurora: The prospects are now good for the extension of the Gafney branch of the O. R. & C. railroad to Spartanburg by the way of Clifton and Glendale.

Chattanooga News: North Carolina's negro congressman is opposed to annexation of Hawaii upon the theory that we have negroes enough and that all coons look alike.

The Morganton Herald is informed that the new railroad from Shelby to Morganton is assured, and that the work of construction will begin shortly after the holidays.

Burlington News: Treasurer Worth, since he lost his pocket book and it was found with railroad passes in it, has taken to paying his fare on the Southern. When caught he was riding on passes.

The Asheville Citizen learn that a little son of Chas McAfee, of Candler's, Buncombe county, fell on a pocket knife while playing and himself with the Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.) from internal bleeding.

Charlotte Observer: About 3 p. m. Monday Morganton was the scene of a shooting affray which may terminate fatally with one of the participants and came near seriously injuring Mr. Frank P. Tate, who, being attracted to the window of his home by the firing, was struck by a spent ball. The participants in the affray were Felix Flemming, Henry Moore and George Avery, all colored. Flemming was seriously injured through the lower jaw and neck, the ball lodging in the back of the neck. George Avery had one bullet in his leg. Moore was not injured.

Dantury Reporter-Post: Mr. Joel F. Hill, a prominent citizen of the county, has fallen a victim to a most distressing disease. A few days since he had occasion to read a newspaper, when he found that he had not the remotest remembrance of the art of reading. This is a rare disease and probably very uncommon in this part of the state. The disease is pronounced by Dr. W. V. McCannless to be aphasia, or the entire obliteration of that faculty of the mind pertaining to letters. Mr. Hill is one of the best known and most respected citizens of the county.

Raleigh News and Observer: Two negroes, George Brown and Isaiah Harrison, got into a row in the market house yesterday evening, between 6 and 7 o'clock, and Brown used a butcher knife on his antagonist, with what was first considered deadly effect. He cut Harrison three very ugly gashes on the back of the head. The wounds were so serious that he was taken to one of the hospitals, where he was resting quietly last night at 3 o'clock. The physicians say he will recover. He is about 25 years old, and was born about 18 years ago in Raleigh, but for several years a resident of Columbia, S. C., died suddenly in that city yesterday morning of heart failure. Mr. Armstrong, formerly of this city, and of the First Baptist church of this city, and faithfully served that church until he left for the south. (He was an excellent man, Irish born, aged 82 years.) The people of Halifax county are wondering why the penitentiary authorities turned off Underwood at the state farms and then put him in a nameless office at \$40 per month. Was it because he is a brother of the chairman? And why do they retain Hughes, who, it is said, he made an over-seer of convict and who has degraded a Halifax county man, Mr. Moseley, a gentleman of excellent family, by making him carry water for the convicts, and actually help pick cotton? It is also said that Hughes was fitted up a room in the supervisor's residence for his cook, and there are some other things connected with this matter that the executive committee should inquire into.

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Yours truly, ELIZA JONES, 15 Orange St., Savannah, Ga.

Kinston Free Press: The gin house of Mr. E. E. Rouse was burned Friday evening about 3 o'clock, supposed to have caught from a spark from the engine. Loss about \$200 or \$300; insurance \$300. Besides six bales of cotton and 2,000 bushels of cotton seed belonging to Mr. Rouse, there were also burned one bale of cotton belonging to Mr. W. P. Basy; Joshua Dawson, two bales; John Cady, one bale, and Wiley Dawson, one bale badly damaged.

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