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A cool trade wind was one of the features of yesterday.

A FRENCHMAN named Jovis is about to attempt to cross the Atlantic in a balloon. He intends to start from St. Nazaire in October, and will aim at New York. Where he may turn up is another matter.

THERE is a movement in Boston, Mass., for the naturalization of the English and Scotch residents of the State, of whom there are twenty-seven thousand. Why they have refrained from naturalization longer than their Irish fellow subjects does not appear.

NEARLY every day a lady may be seen riding a tricycle on our streets, attracting much attention. It may be interesting to know that there are five hundred women in Washington, D. C., who use tricycles, and their appearance on the streets attracts no more attention than a woman on horseback. An Atlanta woman is on her way to Washington on a tricycle. She started with inflammation rheumatism, but when she reached Washington she was completely cured. If there are any ladies in this city troubled with the same complaint, we recommend a trip round the island on a tricycle.

**THE SUGAR BOUNTY IN EUROPE.**

A Berlin dispatch of July 30th has the following:  
The attitude of the British Government on the sugar bounty question and the progress of the anti-bounty movement in England are closely observed here. In Germany, international action on this subject would be welcomed. The Government is favorable to the abolition of sugar bounties. It has openly said so; but it is an inevitable condition that all the countries concerned shall adopt common measures. As matters are, home consumers suffer seriously, and foreign buyers of German sugar benefit at the expense of the producing country. Though international action is desired, it is not believed that it will at present be taken. Probably there will be more difficulty with France than with Austria, but should either country decline to join the rest the whole scheme would necessarily fail.  
On the same question a Vienna dispatch of the same date says:  
The Vienna Foreign Office has informed both the Austrian and Hungarian Ministries of Commerce of the note which the English Government has addressed to it on the subject of a Conference concerning the sugar bounties. The Austrian Government consents in principle to the abolition of those bounties, and will in the Conference adopt an attitude in accordance with the common decisions of Austrian and Hungarian Finance Ministers. The Austrian Reichsrath, which last session had a bill on the sugar tax under its consideration, was also of opinion that any international action for abolishing such bounties deserves support. Germany, Belgium and Holland are likewise favorable to their abolition, and only France appears to be opposed to the proposal.

**For San Francisco.**

The Oceanic Company's steamship Alameda sails to-day for San Francisco. The following passengers are booked at Messrs. W. G. Irwin & Co.'s office to leave by her:  
Miss L. Roseman, John Cooley and wife, Rev. E. G. Beckwith, D. D., A. Louison, J. R. Renton, H. M. Alexander, F. Newton, E. W. Barnard and wife, Major W. H. Cornwell and son, Major A. B. Hayley, Major Samuel Parker and son, J. S. Lake, Mrs. H. F. Wells, Miss M. Wells.  
By the Australia, Tuesday, August 30th: E. D. Preston, M. Hyman, Mrs. J. D. Strong and son, S. Cohn, Miss Annie Horner, W. H. Holmes and wife, W. A. Wall, A. H. Smith, G. K. Wilder, W. L. Stagg and wife, Prof. J. D. Dana and wife, Miss Dana, Mrs. C. F. Storrs, Mrs. Hudson, Misses Hudson (2), Mr. and Mrs. Benton, Miss Benton.

**THE BANQUET**

Given by the Honolulul Rifles

To Their Popular Commander Col. V. V. Ashford.

A Magnificent Repast—Full Particulars of the Toasts, Speeches and Decorations—List of the Guests.

The banquet tendered Colonel V. V. Ashford by the Honolulul Rifles last night at their Armory was attended by about 200 members of the Rifles and a large number of invited guests. The Armory was handsomely decorated with ferns, flowers and streamers, and presented a magnificent appearance. Over the outside door were the letters "H. R." in red lights. On the Ewa side of the building was the motto, "Semper Paratus" (always ready), with the Hawaiian flag between the words. The makai side of the building was hung with Hawaiian flags, with the American flag in the center, while on the Waikiki side was the American and Hawaiian flags intertwined. The mauka side was also decorated with Hawaiian and American flags. The platform on the mauka side was covered with ferns and flowers in profusion, and presented a beautiful sight. The ferns came from the Government Nursery, and the way in which they were distributed around, and in fact, the whole decorating of the Armory reflects great credit on Mr. George Stratemeyer and the Committee on Decorations.

On the Waikiki side of the hall were the letters A, B, C, D, in red, yellow, blue and green lights, being the names of the different companies.  
Shortly before 8 o'clock the battalion formed in companies just outside the armory, on Beretania street, and were marched in double file into the building, each company taking its respective table, of which there were five, and remained standing until their guests were seated.

On the appearance of Colonel Ashford, he was received with loud and continued applause, and the Royal Hawaiian Band, which was stationed on the makai side of the building, struck up an air. Immediately on his appearance the Rifles and their guests sat down to a sumptuous repast, prepared by Mr. Henry Hart. On this occasion he surpassed himself as a public caterer. All the delicacies of the season were on hand, including California fruits, oysters and salmon, and it was acknowledged as superior to anything of the kind ever before gotten up in this city.

The following is a list of the invited guests present: J. H. Soyer, J. I. Dowsett, J. J. Walter Hill, W. C. Wilder, Henry Waterhouse, Dr. N. B. Emerson, R. W. Laine, Walter Leman, Dan Logan, Dr. P. P. Gray, F. W. Wundenberg, G. K. Wilder, T. J. King, John Nott, M. D. Monsarrat, Dr. S. G. Tucker, F. Turrill, J. S. McCandless and officers of the U. S. S. Adams.  
His Majesty the King and the officers of the British men-of-war sent in their regrets at their inability to attend, owing to previous engagements.  
The first toast of the evening was, "His Majesty the King," proposed by Major Hebbard. While the toast was being drunk the band played the National Anthem.  
Major Hebbard then proposed the health of Her Britannic Majesty Queen Victoria, the band playing "God Save the Queen."

This was responded to by Captain C. W. Ashford, who said that it was with pleasure he felt called on to respond to that toast. He was not a believer in the virtuous life of Kings and Queens, but he had seen in her a virtuous Sovereign, and she had always acted as such. He knew he had expressed the sentiments of those present by the way the toast was drunk to the honored lady. He referred at some length to the diabolical acts of Kings, but stated that in referring to diabolical Kings he was not becoming personal. He concluded by stating that as long as any nation lived they would revere the name of Queen Victoria. At the conclusion of his remarks the Captain was heartily applauded.

The next toast proposed was "The President of the United States," by Major Hebbard, which was received with loud applause, the band playing "The Star-spangled Banner."  
When the name of Walter Leman was called to respond to the toast, that gentleman was welcomed with an ovation that must have brought up some fond recollections of his old-time receptions at the California Theater on his appearance there. In a few well-chosen remarks he stated that he had not expected to be called upon to answer to a toast on this occasion, but when that toast was the President of the United States—the country where he was born—he felt as if he couldn't say enough about it. At the end of his remarks he recited "The Army of the Dead" in such a manner as to evoke round after round of applause, and when he came to the last verse the ovation was deafening.

Mr. R. W. Laine was also called on to respond to the above toast, but said he thought it was impossible to improve on what Mr. Leman had said; but his remarks were interspersed with witty sayings, and at the end of it he was loudly applauded.  
The health of Kaiser Wilhelm was next proposed by Major Hebbard, and was responded to by Private E. G. Schumann, who stated that although he came with the intention of making a long speech, a few words on the subject would be sufficient. His speech, in which he referred to the long and prosperous reign of the Kaiser, was to the point, and was well received.  
The next toast was "Our Guests," and as

Colonel V. V. Ashford rose to respond to it he was received with loud and continued applause, the band playing "Aloha Oe." Three cheers were then given for the Colonel, and the battalion sang "For He is a Jolly Good Fellow." Colonel Ashford was again loudly applauded, and on quiet being restored he commenced by saying that multiplicity of other engagements had prevented the preparation of such a speech as such an occasion deserved; but if his sentiments were not clothed in studied language or classic sentences, they still came from his very heart. However flattered he might feel to take this as a personal or private demonstration, he chose rather to look at it from the ground of his connection with military and public affairs within the period embraced in his command of the corps; and that this kind act, which ever should and would be remembered as one of the pleasant incidents in a life of many happy memories, indicated not only a continuance of that confidence which they felt in their Commander on the 30th day of June; but it meant a determination on their part to stand by and uphold at any cost and against all odds the principles for which they had that day contended, and shown to the Hawaiian people and the world that, like better men one hundred years ago, they were ready and willing to pledge their lives, their fortunes and their sacred honor to achieve and maintain. He then gave a brief history of the Honolulul Rifles from the time he had become their commanding officer, a little over a year ago, when the corps only numbered about a score of active members, up to the present time, when they now number over 300. They would compare favorably with any corps in any country in the world. He wanted to see them stick together, not only for self-protection, but for the protection of all. The policy of the Rifles is not one of exclusion, but one of good-feeling and fellowship with the Hawaiian people, with equal rights to everybody. When men from all parts of the world unite together as they have in the Rifles we have nothing to fear. After a few more remarks the speaker sat down amid tremendous applause.

Dr. Tucker also had a few remarks to make on the same toast, and presented the Colonel with a picture representing him nursing a sick baby. The baby, which was supposed to be crying a short time ago, is sitting on the Colonel's lap and he is feeding it out of a bottle. The picture, Dr. Tucker said, tells its own story, and relates to the time when the Colonel first took charge of the Rifles. But by careful nursing, the baby had now grown to a large, healthy boy.  
The Colonel returned his thanks for the picture in a short speech.

"The Health of His Majesty's Ministers" was the next toast, responded to by His Excellency Private L. A. Thurston of Company D. He said that he came there tonight as a member of the Honolulul Rifles, and not as His Majesty's Minister. He was proud of being a member of the Honolulul Rifles than being a Minister. Long after His Majesty's Ministers had been forgotten the Rifles would still be remembered by the people of Hawaii for the good they had done. The Ministers are representations of the people, and the greatest restorers, and while representing the people they were no less loyal to His Majesty. At the conclusion of his remarks, three cheers and a tiger were given for Private Thurston.

The next toast, "The New Constitution," was proposed by Captain George McLeod, and responded to by Private W. A. Kinney of Co. A. He said that, going back 23 years ago to the time the old Constitution was first promulgated, the King presented the Constitution to the people; 23 years later the people had presented a Constitution to the King. This new Constitution had yet to make its record, but he felt certain that it would do so, and a good one at that. Sixty days ago we nursed that Constitution; now it is the savior of the country. Before concluding he desired to call attention to the fact that the Minister of the Interior was among them to-night as a private in the ranks, sitting with the rest of them at table. He stated that this was what could be expected of the new regime—Ministers coming down from off their pedestals as Ministers and taking their place in the ranks of the company they belong to. Loud and prolonged applause greeted the speaker at the conclusion of his remarks.

Captain J. H. Fisher next proposed the toast "Our Naval Visitors." Three cheers and a tiger were then given, the band playing "Aloha Oe."  
Ensign Dyson, of the U. S. S. Adams, responded in an appropriate manner, and was greeted with cheers.  
The toast, "Our Adopted Country," was proposed by Private McCandless. Three cheers and a tiger were given for Hawaii, the band playing the National Anthem.

Dr. Tucker responded to the toast. He stated that this was his adopted country, and he was proud to say so. This was a country that he had sought all his life for, with a climate that no other country surpassed, and which seemed to him to be an Eden—a paradise. He went on to eulogize its beauties, and after referring at some length to its past administration, closed his remarks amid loud applause.

Mr. W. C. Wilder then proposed the "Honolulul Rifles," which was received with cheers, the band playing the "Honolulul Rifles' March."  
Major Hebbard, in response, said: "As an officer of the corps I approach the task with great diffidence. Bound up as I hope I am in the interests and welfare of the command, and proud to be known as a comrade of men who always have stood, and I believe always will stand for the right, I have to thank those who have drunk to our health and prosperity, and to say that in doing this I repeat no empty form, but offer the assurance to our friends that we all thoroughly and truly appreciate the kind spirit which remembers us and wishes us success. And we wish to say farther, that as our friends have stood by us in a time of need, so we all pledge ourselves to be true to the interests, and firm for the rights and liberties of those friends, believing as I do that no man shall ever say truly that the Honolulul Rifles have acted otherwise than with loyalty to the country whose service as

citizen soldiers they have espoused; with fidelity to those who are properly authorized to instruct, direct and command us; with that patriotism which should be the first attribute of all loyal citizens; and with the courage which first, last and always should distinguish the soldier, and which we as citizen soldiers hope ever to maintain. The manner in which the toast has been received convinces us of the depth of sentiment existing towards us, a sentiment which I think I can truly say is reciprocated by every member of the corps. We rejoice that we have done anything to give the people confidence in our fidelity, or firmness, or usefulness as an organization. And we assure you that we will strive to direct our future in a course which shall not detract from your goodwill, but shall cement the friendship now existing, by observing the respect which every good citizen will ever bear for those who do their duty regardless of results. [Applause followed the conclusion of his remarks.]  
Mr. W. C. Wilder also responded to the toast. He said he took great pleasure in being present at the banquet to-night to do honor to the Commander of the Honolulul Rifles. To the Rifles every resident of these Islands owe a debt of gratitude, which they will always remember, and should the Rifles ever be called upon to look after the interests of the country, he felt certain they would do so.

Captain Unger proposed a toast to "The Press," which was received with cheers.  
Mr. Walter Hill, of the "Bulletin," and Mr. Dan Logan, of the "Gazette," were called on to respond, which they did in a happy manner. At the conclusion they were both greeted with cheers.  
Private Livingstone proposed the toast, "The Ladies," which was responded to by Lieut. Chas. McCarthy in his usual pleasing manner. Charley did the toast great justice, as was evidenced by the repeated applause which followed its conclusion.

Sergeant H. W. Morse of Co. B, being called on for a song, complied, though suffering from hoarseness, by singing "Chimes of Home," and was loudly applauded.  
Private W. G. Armstrong, of the same Company, also responded to a call for "Mary's Gone with a Coon," which he sang, being applauded at its conclusion.  
Dr. N. B. Emerson then made a few remarks, which were well received, after which "Auld Lang Syne," was sung by the companies and guests, and the battalion then dispersed, all highly pleased with the banquet.

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