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THE CHURCH MILITANT.

For the life of us, we fail to see wherein the Advertiser and the Bishop of Honolulu's opponents can find much comfort in the advice offered by Bishop Potter of New York, who is not a member of the committee entrusted with the matters pertaining to Church affairs here, to "by all means get out an injunction to restrain Bishop Willis from attempting in any way to interfere with your congregation." And for the information of all, we will here name the members of the committee of the House of Bishops—they are Bishops Nichols, Whitaker and Capers.

And still, for the further information of those most interested, THE INDEPENDENT will here say—what right has Bishop Potter to do with the Church here. Let him attend to his own diocese and let Bishop Willis attend to his sphere of work here, carrying into effect the mandates of the Diocesan Synod.

The position of the Church is on similar lines as those of the government in national as well as in state and territorial affairs. What right has the Governor of California to interfere with Governor Dole here. The conditions are very much on the same parallel.

The history of the Church of England for ten centuries is a history of resistance of the usurpation of the Bishop of Rome, and a struggle to preserve the independence of the national Church. In the advice that has come from Bishop Potter, which is publicly used this morning, there is clearly an attempt on the

part of that prolate to establish a papacy at New York, and THE INDEPENDENT feels and believes that every Bishop in the United States will support Bishop Willis in resisting this usurpation.

Everything now point that the condition of affairs and the unreasonable attitude assumed by some shows that the Church is again entering upon its militant career by an attempt to again appeal to the interference of the Courts of law. If such is the course to be adopted, it plainly shows the weakness of the desire of those who clamored for Church "annexation," after being parties thereto, and we fail to see now wherein they were so urgently desirous for the change.

And for the edification and delectation of all concerned, the Bishop of Honolulu is now master of the situation, but subject to the authority of the Synod, and, since swearing allegiance to the constitution and canons of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States, he is now by right the first American Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the Hawaiian Islands, Bishop Potter of New York, and his cohorts, to the contrary notwithstanding.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

The Home Rule Republican party, at its regular weekly meeting last evening, strongly adopted the plan of the Central Committee for the perfection of party organization. It is understood that Prince Cupid and others will soon start out on a tour of education throughout the Islands, and at the same time district and precinct clubs will be organized on a basis which may ensure the party's success at the next campaign.

The Home Rule Republican, in its last issue, placed the "Mrs." before the name of A. B. Rose Soley, the noted and talented newspaper writer, correspondent and journalist, mistaking him for a woman. Mr. Rose-Soley is very much a man of the male sex than he is a woman of the female sex. But the sneer of the Advertiser in reference to what he wrote about Queen Liliuokalani, which appeared in our Tuesday's issue, is lost sight of altogether in its attempt to belittle her before the eyes of the women of America, for, as we suppose and are made to understand,—American women have an American contempt for those who do not have an "American respect" for their sex. If such be the case, then "so mote it be."

Information has been received that the Aloha-aina Democrats of Maui are on the move and that everything will soon be in order for their organization as a political faction in the coming electoral campaign. Their headquarters will be in Wailuku and that they will not brook the idea of holding aloof, as in the last election, until it is too late to be of any good. From there it is intended to branch out all over the group on their campaign of education, after first putting themselves in readiness for the coming fray. It is also stated that no attention will be paid to those of the party that are here, unless those here will start the ball a rolling, so that there might be a proper organization of a central executive committee of an entirely different hue from the last one.

PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA.

He Will Visit the United States on Behalf of His Brother, the Emperor

BERLIN, January 11.—It was announced today that Prince Henry of Prussia, the brother of Emperor William, would represent the Kaiser at the launching of the yacht now building at New York for the Kaiser. It was also announced that the imperial yacht Hohenzollern would be present at the launching. The Hohenzollern was placed in dry dock at Kiel today to have her bottom scraped and painted. She is under orders to be fitted out for a ten weeks' cruise, and will sail for New York January 22, according to present plans, arriving there February 3. Prince Henry will sail in February on one of the North German Lloyd steamers. He will be attended by several officers of high rank, whose names have not yet been announced. The date of the launching of the Emperor's yacht, it is understood, has been fixed for February 25th.

The length of Prince Henry's stay in the United States is undetermined, and will depend in part upon the wishes of President Roosevelt, and the program for his entertainment. Prince Henry's visit to America is regarded by the court as another evidence of the Emperor's desire to win the good will of the American people and government for Germany.

Death of Mrs. Maria Hoffmann.

Mrs. Maria Hoffmann, one of the oldest white residents of Honolulu, died yesterday morning at her residence in Nuuanu Valley, at the ripe old age of eighty-three years. She was a native of Machias, Maine, and was a typical New England woman. She came to Hawaii in the 40's and has resided in this city for over fifty years. She formerly lived here with her sister, Mrs. Dr. R. W. Wood, and also with her brother, Judge Burbank, at Koloa, Kauai. She was married to Dr. Edward Hoffmann, Consul for Austro-Hungary for many years here, who died many years ago.

At her request her remains will be cremated. Funeral services will be held at her late residence, on Wylie street, on Sunday afternoon at 3:30 o'clock, at which Rev. H. H. Parker, of Kawaiahae Church, will officiate. The deceased has a niece in this city, Miss Mary Burbank, librarian of the Honolulu Library Association, and another, Mrs. W. von Graymeyer, in Hilo, Hawaii. Mr. E. Hoffmann, a nephew of her late husband, resides at Wailuku, Maui, as is a member of the firm of Hoffmann & Vetlesen, merchants there.

The deceased was in town last week, her last illness being of short duration.

Anxiety For the Condor.

VICTORIA, B. C., January 11.—The British sloop of war Condor sailed from Victoria for Honolulu a day after the collier Matzeawan, which is supposed to have gone down in the fierce southeast gale which prevailed the following day. Latest advices from Honolulu report the war ship thirty-two days out. Captain Fleet, senior officer on this station, expresses great anxiety as to her fate. He hopes, however, that the delay is due to a shortage of coal and that she is making the end of the voyage under sail, but even in that event she should have reached Honolulu before January 31, the date of the latest news, as sailing vessels which left here, since her departure have arrived there.

British Consul Hoare has not received any word about her or her whereabouts.

Saturday's Yacht Race.

The following yachts are expected to start in the race for the Turner trophy tomorrow: Shamrock III, Skip, Wiki-Wiki, Malihini, Princess, Hihimanu, Pirate, Vi-ka. The Shamrock III, Skip and Wiki-Wiki have not yet registered. The Malihini has also to register. All the third classers will probably take part in the race with the exception of the Oio and Myrtle.

The Hawaiian Relief Society.

The Hawaiian Relief Society voted yesterday at its annual meeting held at the residence of Mrs. S. C. Allen, to affiliate its interests with the Associated Charities, and will in future co operate with that body in distributing aid to the needy, giving special attention to the Hawaiians.

The following officers and directors for 1902 were elected:

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- Treasurer—Mrs. J. F. Bowler.
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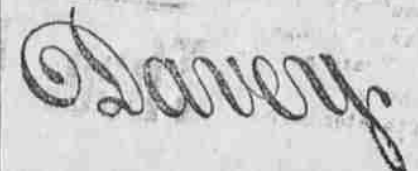
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