

**THE PACIFIC  
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**MORE CURIOUS TAXATION.**

In analyzing the returns made of taxes assessed and paid, we have no desire to create any prejudice against the corporations. They are the present basis of our prosperity, and are not only entitled to protection, but to generous moral support from the community. The facts which we have presented regarding our system of taxation are simply undisputed. Whether or not we draw the soundest inferences from them is another thing. If the system is unjust the sooner it is reconstructed by the Legislature, the better it will be. The dominant party can have its own way at present.

When the table of the taxes levied and paid during the year 1897, is further examined, it appears that the European and American corporations paid a real estate tax of \$79,169, while the natives and part natives paid a tax of \$59,714. That is to say, the natives paid 75 per cent. as much as the corporations did that represent \$36,000,000 of paid up assets. It might be said in reply to this statement that the corporations owned only small areas of, or values in, real estate, and their assets consisted mainly of personal property. If, however, we look at the returns on personal estate, we find that the corporations paid \$148,640 on personal estate. If this amount is one per cent. on valuations, then it represents a valuation of all the personal property of the corporations of \$14,864,000. But the total valuation of corporate assets is \$36,000,000.

If the real and personal tax of the corporations, which is altogether the sum of \$227,809 is a one per cent. rate, then it represents an assessment or valuation of only \$22,780,000 of corporate property, while the paid-up assets of the corporations reach \$36,000,000. These paid up assets may not have this value as commercial things, but a difference or discrepancy of \$13,990,000 is a most significant item. On the face of it, it seems as if this large amount or difference was not taxed.

On the figures presented, and on the actual sales of Hawaiian crops abroad last year reaching over \$15,000,000, some sensational conclusions might be offered. The only object in analyzing these returns is to suggest that the system of taxation is not equitable, and that it should be reconsidered, as much in the interests of our personal safety and comfort in the future, as in the interests of justice and fair play.

**AN ASIATIC VOTE.**

By reason of our statement that the dominant party is under obligations to deal justly with the Asiatics, in the matter of taxation, we have received several inquiries asking if we advocate giving the franchise to the Asiatics. These inquiries are only a repetition of the old argument used against the abolitionists by the copper heads: "You wish to free the slave? Do you wish your sister to marry a nigger?"

Doing the Asiatics justice does not make it necessary to give them the franchise. That is, it ought not to be necessary to give it to them. But if our own sense of right and justice does not impel us to be just, it will be "necessary" for the Asiatic to see to it that justice is done to him, and in time he will get it in some way. We are educating the young Asiatics in our public schools up to the Anglo-Saxon trick of having something to say about things, and if we do not wish them to bother us, we had better stop this scheme of educating them.

So long as we are honestly attempting to enforce "American Christian civilization," here with justice and equity, the Asiatics may not be very eager to ask for the franchise. But if "Christian civilization" means unequal taxation, or the commission of wrong, or the omission to protect rights, we may expect that, in due time, they will look around for some way of securing justice. It is easy enough to jump on another, if you have tied him up hand and foot. But if the other gets the chance, and in time it comes, he will give a return blow that may hurt.

Without annexation, we are about to try a most risky and novel experiment in the art of Government. The closer we bring that art to the principles of justice, the better it will be. But this does not necessarily involve the granting of the franchise. The Northern States of America would not, if they could, repeat the error of 1865 and give the negro an unrestricted franchise.

The Mariposa brought from the Colonies distant some 4,000 miles, 305 packages of onions, 70 sacks of potatoes, 22 boxes of apples. As these are products which can be cheaply raised here, why are they imported from points distant 4,000 miles? If it does not pay to raise

them here, why should we invite settlers and tell them that it does pay? Perhaps we do not like to say to them that the freight on a small package of vegetables from Maui to Honolulu is more than the freight on the same package from Honolulu to San Francisco. We do not like to put it into our glittering hand-books that transportation from Island to Island, distant only a few miles from each other is about as expensive as it is from Honolulu to China.

If regret at the departure of Admiral Miller today, is any evidence of a breach of neutrality, by this community, in the "unpleasantness" between Spain and the United States, then we have indeed grossly violated international law, and may be duly consigned to Spanish dungeons.

In all probability fighting has begun between Spain and the United States. Spain backed down in suspending hostilities, in the hope of making some arrangement. But Congress has refused to give further time for negotiations, and the President has promptly acted on the joint resolution declaring Cuba to be free and independent, without recognizing any special government over the island. The military and naval forces are probably now executing their plans, which have been well matured.

Even the laymen can read between the lines to some extent. The movements of the fleets will be made with unusual rapidity, and may astonish fighting men. To the outsiders it would seem as if the first blow struck by the American navy would be at Porto Rico, which is said to be the basis of Spain's coal supply. Vastly more important than heavy guns, or rapid firing guns, or torpedoes, is the item of coal. Spain fights at a distance of 2,000 miles from her coast lines. She is about to illustrate to the people of the United States the value of a coaling station like Hawaii. If she can hold Porto Rico against the American fleet, it will demonstrate with great force the value of these Islands as a strategic point.

**In Circuit Court.**

Nimito Sumner, by her attorney, asks that she be given a hearing in the John K. Sumner case on May 5.

In the appealed replevin case of W. W. Wright against the Marshal, the Supreme Court approves the finding of the Circuit Court, which was against the Marshal.

In Hawaiian Commercial Company vs. Walluku Sugar Company, the plaintiff's bill for an injunction is disallowed and an appeal from the Circuit Court is taken.

**Surf Riding.**

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CHARGES REASONABLE.

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE First Circuit, Hawaiian Islands. In Probate. In the matter of the Estate of BEATRICE M. G. LUCE, Minor.

On reading and filing the petition of W. S. Luce, the Guardian of Beatrice M. G. Luce, a minor, praying for an order for license to mortgage certain real estate belonging to the said ward on Wyllie street, Honolulu, being an undivided half interest in the home- stead of Mary E. Luce, deceased, consisting of 1.88 acres, with the improvements thereon, being a portion of Apana 1 and 2 of R. P. 7564, and setting forth certain legal reasons why such real estate should be mortgaged.

It is hereby ordered, that the next of kin of the said ward and all persons interested in the said estate, appear before this Court on Tuesday, the 3rd day of May, A. D. 1898, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the Court Room of this Court, in Honolulu, Oahu, then and there to show cause why an order should not be granted for the mortgage of such estate.

Dated Honolulu, H. I., April 16, 1898.  
By the Court:  
GEORGE LUCAS,  
Clerk.

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**BASEBALL TODAY.**

Regiments and Honolulu to Meet for First Time.

The two real baseball nines of the 1898 league will cross bats at the Makiki diamond this afternoon. A contest worth while is anticipated, as the teams have been playing and practicing for a couple of months and have besides about the best material in the Islands. Hart will appear in the box for the first time this year. His arm seems quite strong again. He will pitch for the Regiment nine and Lemon will do the twirling for the Honolulu. J. Hansmann, one of the best men the Regiment team had, is out of it for the season. He wrenched a knee in last Saturday's game, and while able to be about, can take no chances with the game leg. Allan Jones, having a Cyclomere first prize in sight for this evening will not play with the Regiments. He will be substituted by Scanlon. These are the teams for today:

Regiment—Wilder c. Hart p. Davis 1b. Moore 2b. Gorman 3b. Lishman ss. Kiley lf. Bowers cf. Scanlon rf.  
Honolulu—Dayton c. Lemon p. Willis 1b. Koki 2b. Pryce 3b. Thompson ss. Holt lf. Kaanoi cf. Pahau rf.

Hennessey has been released by the Regiment management and may be seen on the field later in the uniform of another aggregation. Mahuku (Old Reliable) will join the Honolulu in a couple of weeks now and will be warmly welcomed back to the grounds by patrons of the game.

At two different places last evening members of the Honolulu and Regiments figured out to a nicety victory for today.

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**TIMELY TOPICS**

April 30, 1898.

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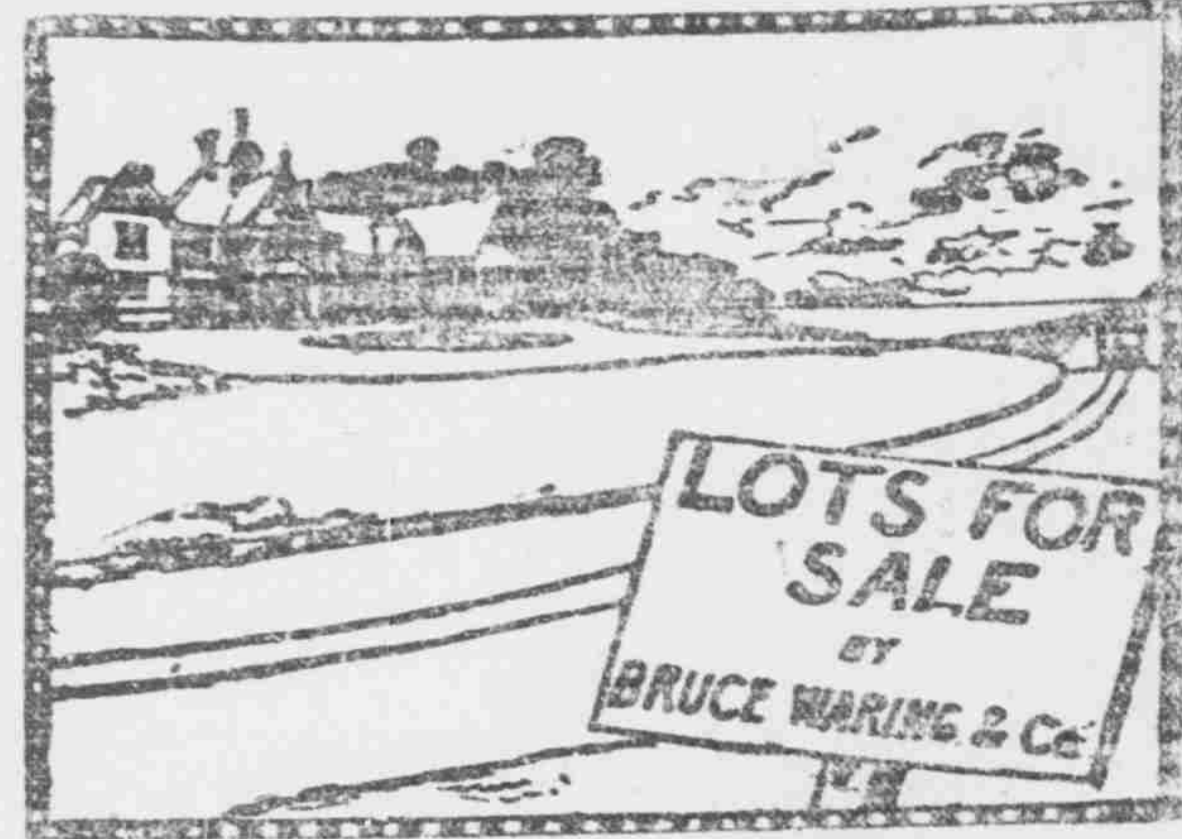
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