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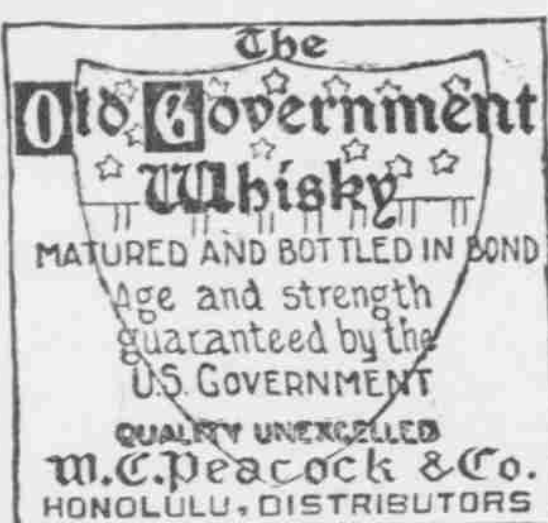
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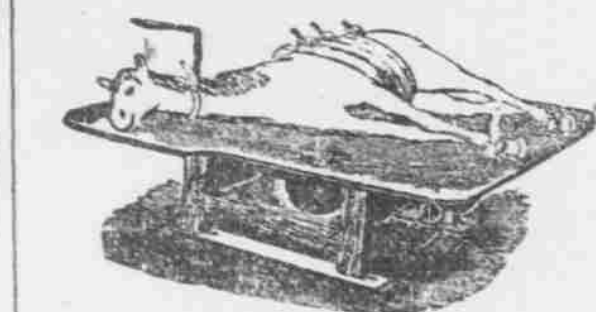
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CARTER MEMORIAL

Documents in the Matter of the Fountain Site.

A COMMITTEE MADE WEARY

Report to the Officers of the Citizens' Guards - Unsatisfactory Dealings With Members.

Honolulu, H. I., May 24, 1898.

To the Officers of the Citizens' Guard: Gentlemen:—The committee appointed by you in connection with the Carter Memorial beg leave to report as follows:

At the time of our last report it was stated to you that the committee had adopted the suggestion of the Executive and would place an ornamental fountain in Union Square. This action was approved by you and contract let for same, the material to be Island stone. Later at the request of the Government the space to be used by the fountain as grass plot was reduced in size, and written authority was given to us to proceed with the work, it being stated in the authorization that the Government would supply water, and assume the maintenance after completion. Just after work was commenced the matter was brought up very unexpectedly in the Senate, and a resolution passed disapproving of the site. Your committee believed, as did a great many with whom we spoke that the erection of the proposed plot in Union Square would make a place of beauty what has been for a long time an unsightly place in the center of the city. The Senate gave no intimation either to this committee or to the Executive that the matter was to be brought up, but passed the resolution at once and sent it to the House. The latter body was courteous enough to give the committee a hearing but still reported against the location. We think the action of the Senate was at least very hasty, and one of the Senators has told members of this committee that the opposition was not on account of the location, but was intended as a slap at the Executive for granting permission for the erection of public property without the sanction of the Legislature. We do not wish to be understood as saying that this was the reason why all voted as they did. Some undoubtedly thought it would be an obstruction (?). A joint committee was appointed to meet with this committee and confer upon a site for the Memorial. Such a meeting was held and the joint committee was given to understand that a place anywhere in the Executive Building grounds would be acceptable, and reasons were given why we did not wish to place it in some other localities which were mentioned. A letter has now been received from the joint committee in which they say they cannot recommend the Executive grounds, and asking if we wish a further meeting on the subject.

Your committee has written a reply to this communication, which they now submit for your consideration, and await your further instructions in regard to the Memorial. Respectfully, (Sig.) F. J. LOWREY, For the committee.

Honolulu, H. I., May 24, 1898. MR. PAUL R. ISENBERG.

Dear Sir:—Your favor of the 17th inst., in which you state that the joint committee in reference to the placing of the Carter Memorial Fountain do not approve of the location asked for at the meeting between that committee and the committee from the Citizens' Guard, and asking for a further meeting between said committees if further consultation is desired is received.

This committee has no further request to make of the Legislature. You are aware under what circumstances work was commenced in Union Square, and of what action was taken by the Legislature in regard thereto.

At the meeting of the two committees it was shown to you that as the location in Union Square was not acceptable to the Legislature, that a space in the grounds of the Executive Building would be satisfactory to this committee. You now notify us that your committee cannot accept this recommendation, and intimate that another location which you mention might receive favorable consideration. There is nothing definite to show that such favorable report would be made, and for reasons given to your committee the location referred to is not approved of by us.

It seems hardly fitting to make any comment on the report of the military committee of the House in reference to an appropriation for the erection of tombstones to the memory of the men who were killed at Kalaiala. We would like to say however that the action taken in regard to the Carter Memorial seems very inconsistent when compared to this report. To those who are familiar with the circumstances of both cases, comment is unnecessary.

We do not see that there is any occasion for the committees to meet again, and beg to remain, Very respectfully, F. J. Lowrey, T. F. Lansing, C. Boite, W. H. Hoops, G. P. Castle, A. E. Werfick, committee appointed by the officers of the Citizens' Guard. Approved: A. M. Brown, Marshal, Commanding; F. B. McStocker, Senior Captain.

To the HON. SANFORD B. DOLE, President of the Republic of Hawaii; And to the Honorable Members of the Executive Council of the Republic.

Gentlemen:—I have the honor to lay before your honorable body the following expression made by the Citizens' Guard, Division 1, through their officers:

"Resolved: That the officers of the Citizens' Guard, in meeting assembled this 24th day of May, 1898, do hereby express their appreciation of the efforts of the Executive to secure for the Citizens' Guard a suitable site for the erection of Memorial to the late Charles L. Carter;

"Resolved: That the secretary of this body furnish the Executive and press of the city a copy of these Resolutions."

I have the honor to be, Yours very respectfully, (Sig.) J. BATCHELOR, Adjutant and Secretary C. G. H.

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