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E. A. MOTT-SMITH
He Was Yesterday Made Foreign Affairs Minister.
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A Young Son of the Land—An Attorney at Law—Public Instruction Matters.

Attorney E. A. Mott-Smith is the new Minister of Foreign Affairs and ex-officio Minister of Education. That his name was under consideration has



E. A. MOTT-SMITH. (Photo by Davey.)

been known for a couple of days. It was decided yesterday morning to offer Mr. Mott-Smith the post, and after considering the matter a few hours has accepted. The commission will issue early today and the chair at the council table left vacant when Judge Cooper was made Attorney General upon the resignation of W. O. Smith, will be occupied. It is understood that it was President Dole himself who first mentioned the name of the new man. The appointment is, of course, with the chief executive, but the members of the Cabinet were consulted and a unanimous decision was reached.

The talk down town during the noon hour and in the latter part of the day was not all one-sided, though there was agreement that there seemed very small chance of a mistake having been made. On one hand was the criticism that Mr. Mott-Smith was too young for the post. On the other hand it was contended that the young men of the country were entitled to representation and that one of the very ablest young men had been chosen. Personally, the new Minister is a very general favorite. He has been warmly in sympathy with the party in power here since 1893. He has large interests in the Islands and has proven himself a capable man of affairs by the management of large property interests with which he has been entrusted. He is an enthusiastic yachtsman and his face is a familiar one on the tennis courts and at society gatherings. His duties as Minister of Foreign Affairs will be light, as a matter of course, but he has fallen heir to a lot of work in the Department of Education. This will require closest attention and much time.

President Dole said that he considered the new appointee had especial qualifications for the place. "It is true," said the President, "that he is a young man, but the Cabinet age will average satisfactorily. Mr. Mott-Smith in consenting to take the place expresses a willingness to give much time to school matters and we require an active, intelligent man at the head of that department to keep it up to its present standard, to advance it and to carry out a lot of the work inaugurated by Minister Cooper. The matter of selection has been given much thought and while a number of citizens have been consulted, at no time has any name been mentioned."

At his office yesterday, Mr. Mott-Smith said that the call came to him as a surprise. Naturally he was, he said, greatly flattered to be a member of the Cabinet of the country in which he was born. He was gratified that the

call had come to him and would do his best to discharge the duties of the office and to assist the administration in every way possible.

Mr. E. A. Mott-Smith was born in Honolulu on May 12th, 1873, his father, Dr. J. Mott-Smith, having located in these Islands in the year 1851, following the profession of dentist. Mr. Mott-Smith, Senior, was well known as a public spirited citizen and held various responsible positions under the Government, notably those of Cabinet Minister, Minister Plenipotentiary at Washington and later in 1888, went to Washington in connection with the Reciprocity Treaty. Mr. Mott-Smith, Sr., was married to Miss Ellen Dominis Paty, daughter of Gen. Paty. Mr. E. A. Mott-Smith when five years of age was taken to Boston, where he remained seventeen years, receiving his earlier education at Chauncy Hall School. In 1895, he commenced a course of study in law at Harvard College, but the death of his father in that year compelled his immediate return to Honolulu. After adjusting his deceased father's affairs he entered the law office of Mr. A. S. Hartwell, but severing his connection with that firm in October, 1897, he engaged with Messrs. Kinney & Ballou and in March of the following year was admitted to the Hawaiian Bar, when he opened practice on his own account. In July of the same year, he was appointed a member of the Board of Immigration. In August, 1896, he married Miss Anna Elizabeth Paty of this city. Mr. Mott-Smith is manager of the Mott-Smith estate and also vice president of the Hawaiian Trust & Investment Company and enjoys the esteem and confidence of his fellow citizens.

HEAVY BOOKING.

Many People Ready to Make Long Journeys

The following passengers are booked at W. G. Irwin & Co.'s office for the Mariposa, sailing for San Francisco next Friday: Mrs. E. D. Goodrich, Capt. C. Soule and wife, Miss L. Irwin, Mrs. L. P. Williams, H. Schussler, Mrs. B. C. Crawford, Miss B. Davis, Miss Y. Davis, Miss L. Davis, C. F. Herrick, wife and son, J. F. McCrosson, E. Martin and wife, A. L. Young, Dr. Cutter, U. S. A., and wife, E. G. Clarke, E. U. S. A., and wife, Mr. Bradfield, Mrs. J. J. Roby, Col. Z. S. Spalding, Mrs. J. F. Morgan and child, V. C. Gray, wife and child, C. P. Chamberlain, Dr. McWayne, D. H. Ettian, L. E. Mallory, wife and daughter, L. Lamb and wife, C. Muller, Mrs. J. F. Crawley and two children, Mrs. L. E. Hamsher, Miss Grace Emery, Miss Margaret Phillips, C. H. Rathbone, F. P. Watson.

The following passengers are booked at H. Hackfeld & Co.'s agency for the China, sailing for Yokohama next Saturday: Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Lowrey, A. V. Hunter and wife, W. A. Hadden, C. J. Kuhn, Mrs. M. A. Wightman, Mrs. W. Wood, Mrs. A. A. Van Voorhies, H. F. Grimm, Mrs. H. B. Arnold, Miss Arnold, Miss M. H. Callaghan, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Pfingst, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Wichman, J. M. Haynes, Miss Haynes, Miss H. M. Haynes, Miss B. Landers, J. E. Stearns, J. M. Atherton and daughter, Mrs. H. Stockbridge, Miss G. Davis, A. C. Cass and family, J. Wadsworth, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Fish, E. B. Reynolds, C. A. Brown, Dr. and Mrs. C. R. Hodge.

A Strong Team.

Drs. Wood and Day, two of the best known practitioners of the city, are forming a partnership to begin the middle of next month. Both men have the very highest standing in the profession and as well as representative citizens. Both are members of the Board of Health and have at all times willingly given their services to the public. Dr. Day is port physician and Dr. Wood is on the staff at the Queen's hospital.

The two physicians will have their office on Beretania street, where Dr. Wood is at present located.

To Consult Washington.

At its meeting yesterday the Cabinet reached a decision in the matter of the application of H. Hackfeld & Co., Ltd., requesting that Chinese immigrants consigned to Samoa be permitted to be "stored" at the quarantine station here for a couple of days or more as required by the exigencies of steamer service. The petition of the company was denied—for the present. Hackfeld & Co. have been informed that the matter will be referred to the State Department at Washington and that an answer that will be final will be made upon the receipt of replies from Washington.

IT WAS A BIG DAY

Stock Brokers and Dealers Had a Busy Time.

KIHEI WAS THE BRIGHT STAR

Waialua—Honokaa—Ewa—Oahu—
The Facts in the Case of the Kihel Jumping.

March 28, 1899, may be noted as the liveliest day in stocks since dealing in securities assumed any proportions at all. Several thousand shares changed hands and the amount of money paid and received was something enormous. The brokers were busy from the time of opening business for the day till 5 and after in the evening. The 'Change men did the bulk of the business, with several outsiders not far behind. Transactions involving large sums of money were made on the streets in a few words. Heavy deals were made over the telephone.

While there was considerable speculation, it may be said that the bulk of the dealing was in investment securities. There was one sale of \$15,000 of Oahu railway bonds at \$101.50. Honokaa is firm at \$290, with the sale of 170 shares reported. It is believed this is about the high water mark, though. One broker who is buying for the foreign market may force it up. Mr. Pollitz has bought a little more of it.

Oahu and Honoum are sailing upwards. Ookala is firm at \$145, with every prospect of quite an advance. The reports from this plantation are of the most encouraging nature and there has been much talk of cutting up the shares and listing the stock at San Francisco.

Waialua accessible is solid at \$150 (premium of \$130), but the Waialua paid-up is moving slowly.

Ewa stands at the \$400 mark, fixing a valuation on the plantation of \$8,900,000. It is believed, however, that large offerings would break the market.

But the star of the day was Kihel. The dealing in this was sensational. The brokers were after it early and hard. One firm had offers for more than 2000 shares. Nearly every broker was buying on order. The Advertiser said that the stock would open yesterday morning at \$12 premium. Instead, it opened at \$12.50 and at noon was \$15. By 2:30 it was \$17.50 premium and closed strong at \$19, though there were a few sales at \$20. It should open vigorously this morning at \$20 and get pretty close to \$30 before night, unless the people who want it become discouraged, which, in the light of information passed around, is improbable. Every effort was made by the brokers to break into some of the large blocks. W. C. Achi was buying instead of selling. There were several who labored with Mr. Dillingham, Mr. Robinson, and others to induce them to release some of their stock, but not one would hear to selling a share. Then there was a rush of the brokers and others upon men known to have from ten and twenty to 250 or 300 shares. And it was a grand rush that continued throughout the day and that will be resumed this morning.

The Kihel boom started up again a few days ago when the manager of another plantation in the neighborhood sent to the city an order naming a buying order much above the quotation current at that time. His stock was secured for him without difficulty. He was in on the ground floor. Then W.

F. Pogue, manager of Kihel, came to town. He answered all questions, but spoke with reserve. His position was that as manager he would be doing wrong to in any manner solicit investment in the enterprise. Mr. Pogue was frank to say that he considered the prospects excellent, that the lands were among the best in the Islands and that in his judgment the water supply assured and a successful plantation on fee simple land a quite certain probability. Mr. Pogue, who became very well acquainted at the capital while serving as a member of the last Legislature, granted interviews to many people who wished to talk Kihel to him, but in every case he declined to offer any advice.

But the same steamer that brought Mr. Pogue to town had as a passenger a gentleman regarded as one of the best authorities on all matters pertaining to plantations. Capitalists of the city had sent him over to investigate Kihel. It was on Monday evening that a part of his report leaked out. It was learned that he had recommended the enterprise highly. He had made a special study of the water supply and was satisfied that the problem had been solved, that there would be a surplus of water.

This is the history of the second rapid movement in Kihel. Maunalei is looking up nicely. It sold readily yesterday at a premium of \$10 the share and may fairly be expected to reach \$25 before the week ends.

The Stock Exchange members are now comfortably located in their new hall in the Hawaiian Trust and Investment Company.

ORPHEUM TALENT.

Old Favorites and New People From the Coast.

To-night's entertainment at the Orpheum will be replete with new attractions. Jim Post's new comedy sketch, "The Watch Dog," will have its first production. The boneless wonder, Antonio Van Gope, who is on his way to China, having come direct from Berlin, will make his first appearance before a Honolulu audience. In addition to being a contortionist he is known as the world's greatest equilibrist.

Another feature will be Miss Emma Cotrey, the famous lady juggler. Her illusions are extremely mystifying. Mr. Ordway still entertains with his skillful rendition of classical music on the banjo. There will be a grand children's matinee Saturday afternoon.

Kalihi Pumping Plant.

The contract for the boilers of the new pumping station at Kalihi has been given out. The successful bidder was the Pacific Coast Machine Co., the president of which is J. P. McCarrison, who has been visiting Honolulu and who leaves on the Mariposa. Their bid was \$7773. The contract calls for two Sterling boilers, to be landed at the wharf by the 15th of July. The contract for the pumping plant was given out some time ago. The Sterling boilers are used extensively in the United States navy.

Death of a Child.

The young son of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. G. Bryant, of Kilauea, Kaula, died last evening in this city. The child was named after his father, Edwin Julius Gerald Bryant, and was 4 years and 8 months old. The cause of death was cerebral meningitis. Mrs. Bryant was present with the boy, having been with him since they brought him here. The body will be embalmed and held for burial until the father arrives from Kaula.

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