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REMINISCENCES OF HONOLULU.

XXXVII.

By the middle of July, 1853, the small-pox epidemic in Honolulu and throughout the Island of Oahu, had attained such dimensions as to seriously alarm everybody. In view of the annual visit of the whaling fleet, which was soon expected, business men and merchants were solicitous that more stringent measures should be adopted by the authorities to curtail the spread of the disease, otherwise it was thought that the whalers would be obliged to give Honolulu the go-by, and so our merchants would lose their annual harvest. Dr. Judd, who was at the head of the government, was, in the view of the grumblers, the one to be blamed for carelessly allowing the epidemic into the country and for laxity in not preventing its spread. The community was thoroughly canvassed by these growlers, and among them were several personal enemies of Dr. Judd, of long standing. At length, on the 18th of July, a public meeting of the citizens was called to discuss and suggest measures to limit the range or to eradicate the disease. The call was extensively signed, the name of Dr. Judd himself appearing in the list.

The meeting, which was largely attended, took place in the court house, and was presided over by Dr. Wesley Newcomb. A committee of twelve was appointed, of which all the physicians in town were ex-officio members, to report at an adjourned meeting on the subject matter for which the meeting was called. The names of those composing this committee it will perhaps be interesting to recall: Messrs. F. W. Thompson, D. P. Penhallow, R. Coady, Thomas Spencer, J. R. Mitchell, S. N. Castle, C. R. Bishop, W. L. Lee, W. C. Parke, E. O. Hall, C. C. Harris, A. B. Bates, Doctors Hoffman, Hillebrand, Newcomb and Ford.

The adjourned meeting was held on the 19th, when the report of the committee was read and adopted. In substance, it recommended a number of measures for the consideration and adoption of the commissioners of health, including the establishment of hospitals, a vaccine establishment, the division of the city into districts, the burial of the dead, the destruction of straw houses, dogs, etc.

Dr. Lathrop, who was peculiarly inimical to Dr. Judd, it was believed, for some private reason, offered a series of pointed and pungent resolutions, arraigning the governmental policy of the Ministers of Finance and Public Instruction (Judd and Armstrong); but before any motion or discussion could be had, owing to the excitement that resulted, the meeting adjourned *sine die*.

The following day, Wednesday, a poster was issued, with the heading in large letters, "The Time Has Come," and inviting "all citizens of Honolulu favorable to the dismissal from office of G. P. Judd and Richard Armstrong, Ministers of Finance and Public Instruction, to meet at the Court House, in Honolulu, to-night, at 7½ o'clock, to discuss the resolutions offered last night by Dr. Geo. A. Lathrop." This meeting was also presided over by Dr. Newcomb; D. P. Penhallow and John Meek being vice-presidents, and Wm. Ladd and C. H. Lewers, secretaries. Speeches, more or less violent against the ministers named, were made by Dr. Lathrop, Messrs. Blair, McDuffee, J. Mott Smith, Dr. Newcomb, and others, when the resolutions were carried and a petition to the King adopted, asking for the dismissal from office of the ministers. A committee of thirteen was appointed to receive signatures to the petition, and the meeting adjourned to a future call.

Meantime, up to the 22d of July, the total number of small-pox cases reported was 2,342; total deaths reported, 808. The time chosen by the political agitators to endeavor to secure the removal of Messrs. Judd and Armstrong from office was, in one sense, out of season, when the united energies of all should have been exerted to stay the ravages of disease; but on the other hand, it was shrewdly managed, so as to take advantage of men's fears and excitement, by charging one minister as responsible for the introduction of small-pox and the other for the evident failure of vaccination to stay or prevent the spread of the disease. Such were, in effect, the charges brought against Messrs Judd and Armstrong by Messrs. Lathrop, Newcomb, Blair and others. That they were groundless in fact, no unprejudiced person at that time ever doubted, and it was made so to appear very plainly at a public meeting of natives, held at Kawaiahao Church, July 25th. John Ii presided, and J. Kekaulahao acted as secretary. The spacious house was well filled. Marshal Parke, Gov. Kekauanaoa and Doctors Judd, Hoffmann, Hardy, Wood and Ford were called upon and answered various questions that were put to them, as to the introduction of the disease here, vaccination, etc. The meeting adopted a series of resolutions, approving of those passed at the first meeting of foreigners, on the 19th, and disapproving and condemning the proceedings and sentiments of Messrs. Lathrop, Newcomb and others. A petition was adopted and signed by some 1000 names, praying the King to disregard the memorial of the foreigners for the removal of Messrs. Judd and Armstrong from office.

Up to August 12th, the number of new cases of small-pox reported for the Island of Oahu during the week was 363; the number of deaths in the same time was 83. Total cases, 3,546; total deaths, 1,276.

The petitions against and for the two ministers were duly handed to the King, and by him laid before the privy council. To the first there were 11,500 native and 258 foreign signatures; to that in favor of the ministers, there were about 3,000 signatures, mostly natives. The petitions were referred in council to a committee, consisting of Mr. Kekauanaoa, L. Andrews, Ioane Ii, Iona Piikoi, L. Kamehameha. I quote the pertinent portions of the report of this committee, which was adopted in privy council, Aug. 17, as follows: "An examination into the subject matter of the petitions against G. P. Judd and Richard Armstrong, shows the first complaint to be, that 'their inefficiency and misdeeds have been artfully concealed from Your Majesty.' With respect to one of them (Dr. Judd), frequent and searching investigations in former years have signally failed to elicit any such inefficiency or misdeeds as could justly call for punishment; and in respect to both of them and the other high officers of Your Majesty's government, such is Your Majesty's well known familiarity with even the details of all business of any importance which may be transacted, that Your Majesty will at once perceive the needlessness of our further remarking upon this point. The remaining charges against them are briefly comprised in the words, 'selfish, cupidity, political imbecility and malfeasance in office,' which, it is asserted, are well known and grievously felt by your people. These charges are vague, general, and neither substantiated by proof nor explained by specific allegations, and might as well have been made against any other officers of Your Majesty's government. As to the intended that, to the criminal parsimony and neglect of the two ministers are owing the fearful ravages of the pestilence now abroad in the land, the committee deem it entirely unworthy of Your Majesty's notice. Your Majesty's committee are, therefore, unable to discover in the petitions presented to them any good and sufficient reason why Your Majesty should grant the prayer of the petition."

But still the agitation went on, and the discussions waxed warm between the two newspapers then printed in Honolulu, the *Argus*, the organ of the anti-Judd party, and the *Polynesian*, that of the government. Drs. Lathrop and Newcomb and Mr. Blair, a lawyer, were extremely active in stirring up the opposition, and the charge was reiterated, that the two ministers were to be blamed for the introduction of small-pox. The majority of the foreigners, with whom the wish was father to the thought, and the ignorant natives were actually led to believe the truth of the charge. The result of the pressure brought to bear upon King Kauikeouli was, that, early in September, the ministers resigned, and on the 6th, the following Cabinet was gazetted: John Young, Minister of the Interior; R. C. Wyllie, Minister of Foreign Relations; Elisha H. Allen, Minister of Finance; Richard Armstrong, Minister of Public Instruction. The only change was, putting Mr. Allen in the place of Mr. Judd. Mr. Allen had, only a month before, been succeeded in the position of U. S. Consul at this port by Mr. B. A. Angell. It was generally understood that Mr. Allen was Judge Lee's choice for Minister of Finance.

H. L. S.

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FALSE FLATTERERS.

EDITOR PRESS:—When Henry the Eighth ascended the throne of England, there was nothing to indicate that he would end his days as a blood-stained tyrant. In fact, the manner in which he spent his early life, and also the first year of his married life with the beautiful Spanish Princess, Katherine of Aragon, went to show that he was originally a man, and afterward a King, of well meant actions. But false flatterers were at hand, venal and corrupt courtiers whispered deveilish thoughts into his ear. The body of a newly beheaded queen was scarcely cold when Henry's servile parliament would petition him to marry again, knowing the foremost sentiment which prevailed in the mind of their remorseless sovereign, and having *selfish ends of their own to serve*. The depraved aristocracy of those days catered for smiles and recognition from the murderous offspring of the royal Tudor race.

So much for royalty! It is not my intention to try and supplant Macaulay, or any other historian of England, but merely to point out to the people of this country, native as well as foreign, that the thin end of the wedge of oppression is being inserted. Kalakaua's advisers are unreliable—some unprincipled, and others stupidly ignorant; collectively, they manage to keep their sovereign's eyes dazzled as to public opinion, otherwise he would instantly dismiss them. The Hawaiian palace aristocracy of to-day may truthfully be termed false flatterers.

ENGLISHMAN.

LATE FOREIGN NEWS.

The Russian proverb, "Near the czar close to death," had a singular fulfillment recently in the park at Peterhoff. Alexander beckoned to him a laborer on some improvements, and as the man ran toward the czar he was shot dead by the sentry. Orders had been issued to fire at any one approaching the czar without leave and the soldier who shot had not seen the czar's signal. It costs a good many lives, one way and another, to preserve a despot's.

A quiet revolution is near the point of crisis in Norway, which is not unlikely to add one to the list of European republics. There is a general impression that Norway is in some way a dependency of Sweden, but although the two countries are habitually grouped together their bond of union is simply the possession of the same dynastic head, and Norway is a wholly independent kingdom, with its own parliment, ministry, laws and institutions. Oscar II, the grandson of Bernadotte, is a very cultivated gentleman, who lives in Stockholm when he is not traveling over the continent, and is not over popular even in Sweden, where the liberal sentiment is growing very strong, while his disposition is as reactionary as if he had a royal ancestry long, instead of being only two generations removed from the people. The Norwegians, who only have his company a few weeks in the year, cordially dislike him; and the independent spirit which has always marked them since they rose against Denmark is fed by resentment at his attempts to act like a real king, instead of the mere figure-head they regard him. The present quarrel arose from the parliament's passage of a law requiring the presence of the ministry at its sittings. Three times this law was passed over the king's veto, and the constitution provides that a law so passed shall be operative, notwithstanding the king's disapproval, but Oscar II., declaring that a change of the fundamental law, such as this measure is, does not come within the scope of this constitutional provision, repeats his veto. Parliament defies the king and commands obedience to the law, and unless the king recedes, the chances are good for a revolution. Professor Boyesen, who lately returned from a visit to his native land, tells a newspaper man who talked with him in Stockholm, where he is summering, that the peasants are united and "would, if they could, set up a republic." The movement is promising, nor does it seem that the revolution need be long or bloody.

QUOTATIONS FROM AUTHORS.

There are moments which people would give a lifetime to recall and use differently.—*Malesh.*

Our principles, in fine, are the best guardians of our interests.—*Guizot's America Before Europe.*

When one feels deeply one is apt to act suddenly, perhaps rashly. There are moments in life when suspense can be borne on longer.—*Evasion.*

Steady disappointment, by and by, informs a man that he is in the wrong place. All work, no pay, is a hint to work elsewhere.—*Winthrop.*

Nothing is terrible, nothing is sublime in human things, so long as they are before our eyes. The great man has so much in common with men in general. The routine of daily life, in periods the most remarkable in history, contains so much that is unvarying, that it is only when time has done its work and all which was unimportant has ceased to be remembered that such men and such times stand out in their true significance.—*Froude's Hist. of England.*

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Shipping and Commission Merchants,
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The Union Insurance Company of San Francisco.
The New England Life Insurance Co. of Boston.
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H. HACKFELD & Co., Agents.
Capital and Reserve.....Reichsmark 8,000,000
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Total.....Reichsmark 107,650,000
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Income for 1879:
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Example of Non-Forfeiture Plan:
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Thankful for the confidence shown me, I invite the public to inspect my stock before purchasing elsewhere.
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