

Emperor in the wrong. Be this as it may, one thing is certain, that the Taeping revolution was suppressed with horrible cruelty.

THEN we hear of him taking service with the Cape Government, and becoming its Commander-in-chief in a war against the Basutos. But, having accepted this post, he went over, bag and baggage, to the Basutos. In Egypt he accepted the Governorship of the Soudan from the Khedive Ismail, and then proceeded to slay and destroy all Soudanese who would not acknowledge Ismail as their ruler.

LASTLY, having accepted a mission to induce the Soudanese to allow the Egyptian garrisons to withdraw peacefully from the Soudan, he has sought to convert this into a desultory campaign against the Soudanese, and has written to say that his employers will cover themselves with indelible disgrace if they do not send him troops to shoot down Bedouins and to "smash the Mahdi."

As to his religion, the "Christian" hero never has pretended to be a Christian. To judge by his own utterances, he seems to be a sort of a Deist, regarding his own will as that of the Deity.

It is full time that we should ponder over the above facts. Hero-worship is all very well. In the present age, when love of money is so prevalent, one admires a man who does not care for it, whilst personal bravery always commands respect. But we must not run away with the notion that we are bound to regard a man who possesses these two qualities as a being of supernatural virtue, or to consider that black becomes white at his bidding.

A CORRESPONDENT, who styles himself "R. L.," in yesterday's *Bulletin* quotes from *Home News* two items bearing dates of January 25 and February 1. The condensation of the matter resolves itself into a statement of Sir Charles Dilke, a member of Parliament, who affirms Ministers were not quite certain whether Chinese Gordon would care to accept his mission, in which instructions given to him were secret; but, by degrees, they ascertained that he would. "R. L.," being gifted with second sight, states that from the foregoing it appears that Gordon was sent to the Soudan by the British Government; but the precise nature of Gordon's instructions, he kindly informs us, are not made public. "R. L." winds up this half-column of quotations from *Home News* by telling us that we must either lack current information, or be a perverter of the truth.

Truth, a newspaper edited by Labouchere, the senior member for Northampton, is quoted from in another column, and "R. L." will see there is no perversion.

THE weather during the past three days has been unusually warm. The soothing trades have not been up to their work, and the consequence is that Honolulu humanity swelters. But these are the days for a dip in the sea. There is life and vigor in the embraces of old ocean when the mercury rises.

SAYS the *Hawaiian*, last evening: "The foreigners and the *kapa haole* would be the first to turn out for Rex if there were ever any disturbance, unless he committed some act which they could not approve of." This is the first time we ever heard of the King of any country slapping his policy to suit the foreign residents of his kingdom. We hope His Majesty will so conduct himself as to meet the approval of all those gentlemen who have condescended to come here and earn their bread in his dominions.

Wheat in India.

For some time past the question of the present condition and the future prospects of the cultivation of wheat in India has excited much attention in the United States and in England. A review of the evidence which has been collected by means of numerous investigations suggests the conclusion that it is as yet too early to pronounce definitely as to the future rank of India as a wheat-producer. It must be remembered that there are, as yet, no complete statistics for India, and that such figures as are forthcoming are based for the most part upon official esti-

mates. According to an estimate recently made by the Indian Government, the area covered by wheat in British India is about 20,000,000 acres, and that in the native territory about 6,000,000—the total annual yield being about 220,000,000 bushels. India reported in 1881-82 over 37,000,000 bushels, of which nearly half went to Great Britain.

The question of most interest in regard to Indian wheat-production is that of the probable increase of cultivation arising from extension of railways. Sir James Caird, in expressing his opinion on the subject before a Parliamentary Railway Committee, said that while he looked to a general increase of Indian products consequent on railway extension, yet that, in his opinion the population of India was increasing so rapidly that in two years it would require the whole quantity of wheat now exported. Whether any great increase was to be expected from improved agriculture in India was, he said, a matter which depended on the price of wheat, and the temptation thereby offered to the Indian grower to cultivate it. In many parts of India, when there was a command of water, there would undoubtedly be an increase; but the cultivation would not become greatly extended unless the price of wheat became remunerative.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Dr. Kuehn left last week to take up his new appointment at Lahaina.

The Legislative Assembly will, in all probability, be prorogued on Saturday, the 23rd inst.

The largest shippers of sugar per S. S. *Mariposa* were Messrs. W. G. Irwin & Co., who dispatched 9693 pkgs.

His Excellency Paul Neumann and Col. Curtis P. Iaukea have been appointed members of the Board of Health.

That lamp-post, corner Beretania and Victoria streets, is still waiting for some wagon to demolish it.

The S. S. *Planter* had exactly six minutes start of the S. S. *Kinan* Tuesday. It is now in order to make bets as to which vessel will reach Maalaea Bay first.

There will be a meeting of the Board of Managers of the Y. M. C. A. this evening at 7 o'clock. As the business is of importance a large attendance is requested.

Messrs. Freeth and Peacock have formed a co-partnership in the wholesale wine and spirit business. We wish these gentlemen every success in their new venture.

It is said that a monkey looks into a mirror he immediately goes and peeps behind it. He evidently wants to kick himself for being so ugly.

The heavy run on Frank Gertz' new stock of boots still continues; but there are a few pairs left, from the ladies' smallest size to the 16-inch beetle crusher.

Extra nice kid gloves in black, opera and street shades, also a full line of silk and satin rhadames, in black and other colors, at Ehlers & Co.

Mr. H. Baker, the veterinary surgeon, was Friday found guilty on a charge of common nuisance, in that dead and diseased horses were found on his premises. He was fined \$7 and \$5.30 costs.

The S. S. *Waimanalo*'s bottom was examined Tuesday by divers. It was found that she had sustained no damage beyond the scraping of two or three sheets of copper on the shoe, or false keel.

Mr. J. H. Bruns, Jr., has added an undertaking department to his already extensive business. He has secured a hearse, and is now prepared to attend to everything of this kind with promptness and dispatch.

By mistake yesterday we printed the word Calais instead of Callao as the port at which H. B. M. S. *Heroine* arrived. We regret that our evening contemporary should have made a similar error.

A boat's crew has been formed out of the Married Men's Baseball Club, and they purpose taking part in the November regatta. They were out for practice last evening in the gig *Kapiolani*, under the Captaincy of Mr. Bruce Cartwright.

One Alfred Hunt appeared in the Police Court Tuesday morning on a charge of assault and battery on his young wife, (17 years old). He was found guilty and fined \$10. He may consider himself lightly dealt with for this grave offence.

Mr. E. Kruse, book-keeper on the Kekaha Plantation, was seriously burnt on the hands and face whilst engaged in extinguishing a fire in the cane fields. By the latest reports we regret to learn that he is still suffering very severely, and is in a critical state.

The Astor House Billiard Saloon has been re-opened under the management of Mr. C. J. McCarthy. This gentleman has established a highly favorable reputation for himself during his connection with the "Old Corner." We bespeak for Mr. McCarthy a liberal patronage.

Taro Flour can be bought from any grocer at 50 cents per package. It is clean, and is easily made into poi.

It is probable that during the stay of H. B. M. S. *Constance*, in port, that an entertainment will be given in a few days by her officers and crews.

Yesterday morning the Attorney-General's little daughter was thrown from a carriage by a collision with an express. She received only a few slight bruises, but the horse, with the assistance of a telephone post, made a sad wreck of the carriage.

The eastern end of Merchant street is much neglected by the Road Supervisor. During the past three months there has been considerable carriage traffic in that direction, and at the junction of Richard and Merchant streets there is a sad need of immediate repairs.

Mr. John Cassidy, the Superintendent of the Honolulu Bell Telephone Company, sailed on the *Mariposa* on Friday en route to Philadelphia for the purpose of attending the Electric Exhibition to be held in that city during the months of September and October.

A Chinaman, undergoing a three years' sentence for burglary, of which he has only served two months, escaped from the gang Thursday. He was one of the lot working on Merchant street at the new Police Station. It will now be in order for our detectives to select him from the 20,000 Celestials that infest this country.

Amongst the guests who honored Mr. Alee with an official visit on the occasion of the occasion of His Imperial Majesty the Emperor of China's birthday, was his Excellency the Minister of Foreign Affairs, whose name we inadvertently omitted in our brief notice of the affair on Saturday last.

H. B. M. S. *Constance* arrived off port yesterday afternoon, 17 days from San Francisco. She brings the welcome news that H. B. M. S. *Heroine*, about whose fate there was some doubt, has arrived safely at Calais, after a passage of 83 days from Victoria, B. C.

The Mexican Congress passed a bill in May last authorizing the expenditure of \$100,000 for the representation of Mexico at the "World's Industrial and Cotton Centennial Exposition" at New Orleans. A company of soldiers is to be sent to do the manual work and guard duty at the Exhibition and the best band of music in the State is to accompany them. There is to be a competition of bands during the Exposition.

For one in the professional career of Bandmaster Berger he was found wanting Friday morning. Mr. Berger and his boys headed a Chinese procession Friday morning, that finally bailed at Messrs. Chulan & Co. The Imperial Yellow Flag was hoisted, but unaccompanied by the appropriate air, Mr. Berger having failed to find in his repertoire a copy of the Chinese National Anthem.

Return of Her Majesty Queen Dowager Emma.

The S. S. *Likeli* arrived on Sunday morning from Mahukona, having on board Her Majesty's Queen Dowager Emma, the Right Rev. Bishop Willis, Dr. Robt. McKibbin, Mr. A. J. Cartwright and Mr. Albert K. Kunuika. Her Majesty was removed from Kohala to Mahukona by rail and embarked on board the S. S. *Likeli* on Saturday afternoon. The steamer got under weigh at 5 p. m. and fine weather was experienced throughout the passage, the steamer arriving at the wharf at 10 o'clock yesterday morning. A large and expectant crowd of natives and foreigners had assembled at the wharf to receive Her Majesty and learn the state of Her health. Immediately after the steamer had moored, Her Majesty was landed and conveyed to her residence on a litter followed by a large number of her beloved friends.

We learn that Her Majesty is still in a critical state of health, being unconscious up to a late hour last night. She suffers from an affection of the brain, probably caused by undue excitement and over-exertion during her stay at Kohala. At the wharf, her Majesty was received by Mrs. Pauahi Bishop, His Excellency Gov. Dominis, Hon. S. G. Wilder, Hon. A. S. Cleghorn, Hon. John A. Cummins, Hon. C. H. Judd, and many other friends of her Majesty. Their Majesties King Kalakaua and Queen Kapiolani called upon the invalid immediately after her arrival at home, and tendered their sympathy and condolence, for their Royal friend. Last night there was a change for the better in Her Majesty's condition, and we hope to report still further improvement during the next twenty-four hours. Dr. McKibbin has been unremitting in his attention to his patient, and it is hoped that his labors will be rewarded with success. Mrs. Wodehouse and many other friends were in attendance during the night. A posse of policemen were stationed around the house during the night, for the preservation of quietness. Carriages were permitted to pass at a walking pace only, and this order will continue in force until further notice.

Her Majesty Queen Emma.

Throughout yesterday, Her Majesty Queen Dowager Emma received unremitting attention from her medical adviser, Dr. Robt. McKibbin, and also from her numerous friends. Her Majesty passed a peaceful day, and at a late hour last night she was reported to be sleeping quietly.

H. B. M. S. Constance.

H. B. M. S. *Constance* saluted the Hawaiian flag yesterday morning, and the shore battery returned the compliment. She brought the glad tidings of the safe arrival of H. M. S. *Heroine* at Callao, after a passage of 90 days from Vancouver's Island. The *Constance* will remain in port for about a week, and will afterwards take H. B. M. S. Commissioner, Jas. H. Wodehouse, on a visit to the other Islands. On her return she will proceed to Tahiti and Coquimbo.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

- Captain.....Frederic P. Doughty
- Lieutenant.....Henry T. Smith-Dorrien
-Reginald R. Needl
-Leicester F. G. Tippinge
-Henry L. Bethune
-George F. G. Purvis
- Nav. Lieutenant.....James R. H. Macfarlane
- Chaplain and Naval Instructor
-Rev. David Nevin, B. A.
- Staff Surgeon.....Robert Hay, M.D.
- Paymaster.....Charles J. Curgenven
- Chief Engineer.....Chas. E. Ufindell
- Sub-Lieutenant.....Alfred H. Tarleton
- Assist. Paymaster.....Chas. S. Moore
- Engineer.....Isaac J. Alexander
- Assist. Engineer.....John A. Murray
- Gunner.....William G. Jordan
- Boatswain.....Charles Stuart
- Carpenter.....Edgard J. Main
- Midshipman.....Harold C. Seroggs
-Robert A. L. Bushe
-Charles L. Vaughan-Lee
-Henry F. G. De La Fosse
-Edmund P. F. G. Grant
- Naval Cadet.....Crawford MacLachlan
-Percy W. Rimington

Imitating Wilde.

A German gentleman of aesthetic proclivities recently sat in a Honolulu restaurant where an admirer of Oscar Wilde occupied a table. The disciple of Wilde called for a bunch of violets, stuck his nose into them, inhaled their perfume, and remarking, "I have dined," paid his bill and passed out. The German aesthete reflected for a moment, and then ordered a cake of Limburger cheese. After inhaling the perfume, he exclaimed, "Ich auch habe Mittag gehabt," and followed Wilde.

The Maestro.

In the short span of life we occasionally pause to look at some exceptionally beautiful work of art or some glory of nature. So it is with music. Just as we wonder how the colors of the rainbow and the mirage of the desert are created so we stand afar off and look at the artist who can move our souls by the power of his playing. The true musician like the poet has to be born. No power can force genius into him. It is thus with Remenyi, who takes his violin into his hand like a child and in five minutes compels his audience to give way to any motion which he may choose to create. Herein lies the power of the artist and the might of the maestro.

APHORISMS.

EDOUARD REMENYI.

The great violinist, Mr. Edouard Remenyi, is fond of writing aphorisms. The following were penned on Sunday during a visit to Mr. George Macfarlane's Waikiki residence, while the *Maestro* was under the inspiration of the sounding surf, and the grand sweep of sea which greets the eye at this most charming place. As Mr. Remenyi intends publishing his aphorisms in book form, all rights are reserved.

When I hear the eternal language of the sea, I am dumbfounded; when I hear the grand stillness of nature, I would like to speak, but remain mute in the full knowledge of my smallness; when I hear the thunder, my soul's music grows to its grandeur; when the mighty winds sound their chromatic and neutral scales, I hear the æolian melody, and when I stare and look with amazement at nature's mightiness, then my soul pours out to grateful melody, and I fall on my knees.

The sun shines upon us all with equal brightness, but our own mind can not take in all its splendor; nature has no limit, but we are very limited, the brightest of us is not even a speck in this unbounded universe.

A tone escapes from the instrument, it dies away after a while, but it never will die in the space, it will travel for all time to come.

Music utters the unutterable. Music expresses the soul's desire, and the tongue remains mute, hearing its lofty strains.

My soul is a million-stringed instrument, it responds willingly when they are touched; they vibrate with gratefulness to every human feeling.

When I see a fine object, I place it in my

soul, embodying it in a melody; when I see an ugly thing, my whole being shuts itself up against it, and nothing can enter into it.

The only good thing in a man is the woman; think of this world without a woman, and it collapses instantly.

No art is without obstacles, as the great Goethe says, only, if you eat your bread with tears in your eye, then only you can see the gods in the Elysian fields.

Men may be good, women are better. Men ought to be grateful, not to have nature's heavy burden to carry; women ought to be adored, for all the burden is upon them.

Man is action, woman is conception. It is so, but I cannot conceive how it is so, nor anybody else.

Summum jus, summa injuria, that is, if a man wants all his right, he wrongs right itself, and everybody else, too.

Who ever could tell what a ray is? Nature is neutral, so is our good health; the moment we feel any part of our body, we are not healthy any more, better ask those who are blessed with rheumatism or with the aristocratic gout, how they wish they could feel democratically.

Those who do nothing but grumble, do a very worthless thing, they show so well that they are worthless. Grumbling is a sure sign of lack of power, it is impotence, which shows soap bubbles, the only difference is that soap bubbles are prismatic, and the grumbling soap bubbles are dirty in color, besides they are heavy to bear in spite of their emptiness.

O. P. M. B.

The O. P. M. B. is to the front again. Depression of trade, high rates of exchange and political agitation do not prevent the enterprising manager of that renowned establishment from catering to the public tastes. Mr. Lederer has just placed on view and for sale the largest stock of gentlemen's straw and felt hats, clothing, underwear, hose, ties, handkerchiefs, in linen and silk, suspenders, boots, shoes, trunks, bags, etc., ever imported by one shipment. The "Derby" hats are unique, as also are the straw hats. In fact the entire stock of the O. P. M. B. is of a most *recherche* quality, and it is offered at 25 per cent less price than any other retail store in this city. Enterprise ought to be rewarded, consequently the O. P. M. B. ought to be universally patronized.

CORRESPONDENCE.

We do not hold ourselves responsible for the statements made, or opinions expressed by our correspondents.

Honolulu, August, 18th, 1884.

EDITOR ADVERTISER—An article appears in this evening's *Bulletin* by a person who styles himself Dr. A. T. Baker, and who appears particularly desirous of letting it be known that he is not H. Baker. This, however, Mr. H. Baker, who is a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons and a Fellow of the Royal Veterinary Medical Association of London, rather takes as a compliment than otherwise, as being in possession of a diploma and necessary certificates to prove his qualifications he would not care to be confounded with a man who cannot produce similar testimony.

Yours, etc.,
H. BAKER, M. R. C. V. S.

Cause of Earthquakes.

Danbree, in discussing the recent earthquake in Europe and Asia, presents many objections to the theory of falling rocks in internal chasms, and thinks that all the phenomena can be satisfactorily explained by the action of superheated steam. He refers to the well-known craters of explosion, such as Lake Pavin, in Auvergne, where the stratified rocks have been cut sharply through, as if by a punch. The modern experiments with gun cotton, nitro-glycerine and dynamite have often shown pressures of more than 5,000 atmospheres, and produced results which could hardly be wrought by the pressure of weights 600,000 times as great as that of the explosives. Superheated steam, when set in movement by such simple mechanism as nature often presents, would account for all the action of earthquakes, their frequent succession and their occurrence in the same regions for many centuries. It also explains the predilection of earthquakes for regions where there are numerous faults, especially if the dislocations are recent. Earthquakes appear to be in many instances like subterranean volcanic eruptions which are smothered because they find no outlets. The motive power of gases, of which we see the gigantic efforts in the solar jets or protuberances, appears also to be considerable enough beneath the surface of our planet to explain all the effects of earthquakes.—*Comptes Rendus.*

Among the persons brought before a Georgia police justice were George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. They had been arrested for chicken-stealing.