

series of calms and a succession of gales of wind. I have to report the loss of two vessels, both owned by Messrs. Henderson & Macfarlane, of Auckland, N. Z.—one the schooner Maseppa, lost on Fakin Islands, and now the brigantine Ransom. We had a gale here last week which washed away a large portion of the wharf belonging to the Deutsche Handels & Plantagen Company of Hamburg, and washed into the copra house of one of the Pacific Navigation Company's traders on Mille, washing away more or less copra, said to be about two tons, and doing damage generally. However, we have the trade winds down now, and I think we are going to have a little steadier weather. We have had lots of rain, and all the islands are looking prime.

In a letter dated Majuro, Marshall Islands, Aug. 20th, Captain Lovell gives various shipping items of interest. The Wm. H. Stevens, Crawford's, of San Francisco, was over four months from Legiep going on a trip round the Gilbert group, which generally takes about six weeks or so. Myers, formerly mate of the Morning Star, who took the Kapiolani down, had charge of the schooner Lily, belonging to A. Capelle & Co. The Lily is a fine little schooner of about 25 tons, built on Legiep Island by Mr. Chas. Foster, a young fellow who served his time in San Francisco, and she does him credit, as she is fair to look at, and sails better than any vessel down there.

From another source we have the following items: The Jennie Walker brings news of fighting between the people of Tarava and Apaiian, tormented by the laborers who returned from these islands to Tarava. A German Commissioner is on his way to reside in Jaluit and have jurisdiction over the islands of which Germany now claims possession. Former purchases of lands will be recognized as valid by the Commissioner, but no more land can be bought without his consent.—[Jan. 9th.]

COMING BACK WITH HONORS.

Mr. Walter F. Frear, son of Rev. Walter Frear, so many years pastor of Fort-street church, arrived by the Australia yesterday, and will take the place made vacant in the Oahu College Faculty by the resignation of Mr. G. L. Bates. All his old friends will welcome him back. Mr. Frear graduated at Punahou in 1881, and subsequently entered Yale College, where he graduated with high honors in the class of '85.—[Jan. 8th.]

QUEEN EMMA'S LIBRARY.

The library of the late Queen Dowager, to which we alluded last week as having been willed to the Library and Reading Room Association, is open to the inspection of the members and the public generally at the rooms of the Association, corner Hotel and Alaka streets. The collection is an excellent one both as regards the character of the books and their condition. It is seldom that five hundred volumes are seen together in any library, which embrace at once such a large amount of substantial literary matter and so small a proportion of trash. These books have been arranged on a long temporary table in the reading room, where they will remain during the present week, after which they will be distributed to the various alcoves of the library according to their contents.

SUICIDE OF EDWIN OAKLEY.

Yesterday morning about half-past nine o'clock Edwin Oakley was found dead by the side of Kewala street, on the plains. The body was in a sitting posture, the throat cut and the blood vessels of the arm severed. A razor was found near the corpse. W. C. Wilder, Jr., the first to make the ghastly discovery, notified the Station House authorities, and Deputy-Marshal Dayton, as coroner, held an inquest, the jury returning a verdict that the man died by his own hand. Oakley was about 62 years of age and a native of Southampton, England, where his father owned a large market garden, well-known as "Oakley's Garden." At thirty years of age the deceased went to South Australia, thence shortly after emigrating to California, where he lived for a long period. While there he was leader of an orchestra, and was the inventor of improvements in piano frames and violin rests. He has been in these islands a good while; for seven years foreman for Mr. E. B. Thomas, contractor. His reputation is that of a square-dealing man in all business matters. Oakley was a bachelor and had no relative in this country. He held the lease of three cottages on Queen street, living in one of them. Lately he was in hospital for some ailment that caused him depression of spirits. A large amount, for a poor workman, was due to him for some time at the Palace, while several of his creditors were threatening to sue him. These circumstances combined to depress him greatly, and he had been heard repeatedly to express a purpose of

self-destruction. On the person of the deceased were found nearly fifty dollars in gold, paper and silver, a bottle containing arsenic, private papers and small personal effects. The body was interred at Makiki after the inquest. A movement was set on foot this forenoon, however, to accord decent burial to the unfortunate man. Mr. Thomas circulated a subscription paper, and in a few hours secured all the money required for that purpose. Accordingly, the body has been disinterred and the funeral will take place from the late residence of the deceased, Queen street, at ten o'clock tomorrow forenoon. The late Mr. Oakley having died intestate, his affairs revert to the British Consulate for settlement.—[Jan. 11th.]

MORTUARY REPORT.

For the month of Dec., 1885:—
The total number of deaths reported for the month of December was 49, distributed as follows:—

Under 1 year.....11	From 30 to 40... 8
From 1 to 5..... 1	From 40 to 50... 3
From 5 to 10..... 1	From 50 to 60... 4
From 10 to 20... 2	From 60 to 70... 9
From 20 to 30... 4	Over 70..... 6
Males.....30	Females.....19
Hawaiian.....37	Great Britain... 0
Chinese..... 6	S. Isles..... 0
Portuguese..... 2	Americans..... 0
	Other nations... 4

CAUSE OF DEATH:

Asthma..... 2	Diarrhoea..... 1
Apoplexy..... 1	Exhaustion... 1
Beriberi..... 3	Fever..... 4
Consumption... 4	Hemorrhage... 1
Convulsion... 5	Inflammation... 2
Croup..... 1	Leprosy..... 1
Cancer..... 1	Old Age..... 6
Dropsy..... 3	Paralysis..... 3
Disease of Heart... 3	Syphilis..... 1
Dysentery..... 1	Unknown..... 5
Total.....49	
Number unattended...17	

COMPARATIVE MONTHLY MORTALITY:

Dec. 1881.....38	Dec. 1884.....42
Dec. 1882.....44	Dec. 1885.....49
Dec. 1883.....63	

Annual death rate per 1000 for month..... 28

SICKNESS IN THE SCHOOLS.

School.	Scholars.	Sick.
Fort Street School.....	135	3
Royal School.....	270	5
Polukaina School.....	113	0
St. Alban's College.....	50	0
St. Louis' College.....	382	3
Preparatory School (no report.)		

Vacation commenced on the 18th.
J. H. BROWN,
Agent Board of Health.

LOCAL DIARY.

MONDAY, Jan. 4th.

The Library and Museum at the Government building will be closed until further notice.

SOMEBODY stole a cane extension-chair from the balcony of Mr. Roth's residence the other night.

The one-mile race at the Yosemite Rink Saturday night, between Spencer and Lucas, was won by the latter by one lap.

The Rev. Dwight Baldwin, D. D., died yesterday, at the residence of Mr. S. M. Damon, aged 87 years. The funeral took place this afternoon from Kawaiahaoh church.

STEAMSHIPS Australia and City of Sydney, from San Francisco for the Colonies, and Yokohama and Hongkong, respectively, will be due any time after noon to-morrow.

Mr. Nolte, at his own expense, treated the Hawaiian Rifle Association marksmen, as well as the spectators of the shooting match on New Year's Day, to an elegant lunch at the Casino.

Hon. S. B. Dole has presented the Library and Reading Room Association with a finely illustrated work in three quarto volumes entitled "The World, its Cities and Peoples;" also Travels in Mexico by Fred. A. Ober.

Mr. A. M. Mellis gave a dinner to the boys composing his newspaper delivery brigade, and representatives of the BULLETIN and Advertiser, at the Polynesian Hotel, on New Year's Day. A vote of thanks was tendered "mine host" by the boys in the form of "Three cheers for Mr. Mellis."

The schooner Domitila left here about three weeks ago for Hilo, and had not arrived there when the Kinau left on Friday last. There are many conjectures as to the whereabouts of the schooner. Some think she was struck by a squall, and, as her deck load was large, might have gone under, while others believe she is becalmed.

TUESDAY, Jan. 5th.

A new foot bridge has been built from the dumps to the King's boat house.

The building of the new light-house keeper's dwelling is fast approaching completion.

Mr. Helpkin, lately driver for Burgess's express, shipped before the mast on the bark Lizzie Iredale this morning for Portland, Or.

THE BULLETIN boys are prepared to present the Crystal Soda Works with a case of empty bottles, in return for the handsome New Year's Eve gift of the same, filled with one of the most nectarious and effervescent fluids of their manufacture. Long may they fizz!

Mr. W. C. LANE, superintendent of the Kahuku Ranch, gave a family dinner party on Christmas Day, at which were present, with Mr. and Mrs. Lane, 11 children, 3 sons-in-law, 1 daughter-in-law and 8 grandchildren. We wish Mr. and Mrs. Lane many returns, and re-unions of the same sort.

Mr. Molteno, barber on King street, and a Mr. Aylett have leased a piece of water-land between the Marine Railway and the Myrtle Boat Club house, on which they are building a bathhouse. The piles for the foundation are already driven and the house will be completed by the middle of next month.

The road down the Pali has been a continual source of newspaper comment for some years, but nothing has been done to mend it until within the last few weeks, when considerable improvement has been effected under Mr. H. Lloyd's superintendence. The road is now fairly passable for carriages and is in as good a condition as it is possible, probably, to make it, without having an entirely new road.

THE Anglican Church Chronicle for January is to hand. The editorial columns open with New Year Greetings. Rev. Alex. Mackintosh gives a graphic account of some scenes and incidents of travel in the land of the heather. Our reprint of Dec. 8th, from the San Francisco Bulletin, on "the Church of England in Politics," brings Rev. C. E. Groser to the front with an article to be (continued) on "The Church of England." The paper is further occupied with a good digest of Church and other news.

LAST Thursday evening one of the sailors of the bark Elnisore, while skating at the Yosemite Rink, fell and dislocated his left arm at the elbow. It cost him ten dollars to have it replaced, and being unable to work he is paying two dollars and a half per day for a substitute on board ship. The sailor, in speaking of the accident this morning, said that he had fallen from aloft to the ship's deck without breaking a bone or even dislocating his collar, but to get on wheels with no brake was like riding on the tail of a tornado.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 6th.

FOUR street school began its new session to-day. Pupils are expected to resume their places promptly.

THE Hawaiian Land & Colonization Company has opened an office in Campbell's block, Merchant street.

Mr. Thomas has taken the contract to lower the building recently occupied by Hollister & Co.'s branch store. The house when ready will be used by S. Roth's tailoring establishment.

CHARLIE, the lookout on Diamond Head, roused up the town about ten o'clock last night, to come out and meet the Australia, but the steamer he saw off Coco Head proved to be the C. R. Bishop.

A MAN named Thomas Curley is in Oahu Jail, charged with murdering a Chinaman at Kohala on Christmas Day. He stabbed his victim with a large pocket knife. There are marks of an affray on his own person.

THE steamer Kilaua Hou succeeded in towing the stranded steamer Ivy Holmes off Hilo beach Dec. 26th. The Holmes is not greatly damaged, a little copper being torn from her bottom, and her keel slightly chafed.

NOTHING has as yet been seen or heard of the missing schooner Domitila. Inquiries were made this morning of the officers of the steamer Kilaua Hou, and, notwithstanding their incessant watch for the schooner, her whereabouts still remains a mystery.

A YOUNG man, knowing of a certain gentleman's antipathy for cats, secreted himself near the abode of the feline hater last night, and began crying Maria. It was laughable to see the disturbed one crawling along the fence with an airgun to shoot the imaginary cat.

THE sailors of the bark Lovspring that arrived yesterday, 182 days from New York, are sadly afflicted with scurvy. Two of the sailors, who are affected mostly about the lower limbs, were taken to the Hospital this morning for treatment, but the ship's carpenter is in a frightful state. He was lying on a lounge in the cabin this morning, and presented a most ghastly and revolting spectacle. His teeth are mostly all gone and his tongue is swollen and black. His feet are in a bad state and altogether the victim is utterly helpless. He has been suffering from the malady for three months, latterly being hardly able to swallow enough food to sustain life. Arrangements were made this morning to convey the patient on a litter to the Hospital, where he will be well treated.

THURSDAY, Jan. 7th.

It is a pleasure to see Mr. J. M. Oat and family home again, and a greater to hear that they intend to stay.

THE barkentine W. H. Dimond sailed this noon for San Francisco with a large cargo of Hawaiian pro-

duce and her cabin overcrowded with passengers.

THE demand for the BULLETIN has become so extensive that three of the delivery couriers are obliged to ride on foaming steeds to accomplish their evening rounds.

SEVENTEEN Japanese were sent by the Board of Immigration for Yokohama by the S. S. City of Sydney last night. A native woman married to a Chinaman also took passage by the steamer with her two children.

THE regular meeting of Oahu Lodge, No. 1, Knights of Pythias, was held last evening, when the following officers were elected:—P. C., C. J. McCarthy; C. C., Oscar Branch; V. C., Chas. T. Hoyt; President, C. W. Hart; K. of R. and S., J. C. White; M. of F., Henry Smith; M. of E., T. R. Lucas; M. of A., James Collins; Trustees, Messrs. David Dayton and Henry Smith.

CAPT. Holland, who left here as master of the Hawaiian brig Allie Rowe for Hongkong, returned by way of San Francisco on the S. S. Australia this morning. The captain says he was very sick while at Hongkong, and he went to San Francisco for health's sake. He reports the brig having sailed from Hongkong Nov. 28th, so that she may be expected here soon in charge of the chief officer.

THERE was a large and highly interested audience at the 11 o'clock meeting, to-day, in the Bethel vestry. The Rev. C. M. Hyde, D. D., presided, and many took part in the exercises. This evening, in Fort-Street Church, at 7:30, the subject will be "The Excellence of Christianity," Rev. E. C. Ogel to lead. The morning services to-morrow will be in the Bethel vestry at 11 A. M. The meeting will be led by Rev. Prof. Merritt. Subject, "Nations and Governments," including the question of liquor licenses.

THE sale yesterday at the late Queen Emma's residence secured a very large attendance, and the auctioneers, E. P. Adams & Co., made a successful disposal of the furniture at unusually good prices. One mahogany bedstead was sold for \$150 to Mr. A. Drier. Mrs. McCully purchased an ebony side table for \$100. A handsome mirror wardrobe brought \$120, and was secured by Mr. Drier. Hon. J. A. Cummins was the purchaser of 2 pier mirrors for \$115. The whole sale amounted to over \$3,000.

OCEANIC Council, No. 11, American Legion of Honor, has elected the following officers for the current term:—Commander, Horatio G. Crabbe, re-elected; Vice-Commander, Robert French; Orator, Chas. W. Hart; Secretary, John C. White; Collector, Henry Smith, re-elected; Treasurer, Jas. W. Maguire, re-elected. Visitors were present at the meeting from Hawaiian Council, and a fraternal interchange of sentiment occurred. The two local councils have a membership of about 70, holding policies in the institution amounting to \$350,000.

MR. A. MARQUES claims to have been the first to have successfully bored an artesian well in this country. It has been ascertained as a positive fact that in 1877, Mr. Jas. Campbell employed a Mr. Ashley, father of Geo. Ashley, formerly of Wiseman & Ashley, to bore an artesian well at Honolulu with hand tools. Furthermore, that after boring to the depth of several hundred feet, water came to the surface, and to-day that identical well is flowing. Mr. Marques will therefore have to produce a well bored by him prior to 1877, in order to make good his claim.

THE S. S. Australia, of the Direct Line, arrived this forenoon, six days and sixteen hours from San Francisco, en route for Sydney. She brought 315 tons of freight, 24 bags of mail, and 15 cabin and four steerage passengers for this port. There are 15 cabin and 14 steerage passengers on board for Sydney, besides a large freight. The Australia sails for Sydney at 7:30 o'clock this evening, taking several passengers from here. Her slowest time coming down was 305, and the fastest 324 miles per day. She had disagreeable weather only during the first day out.

FRIDAY, Jan. 8th.

PALAMA has "bus accommodation again, furnished by Fowler & Co.'s Express.

THE Bishop of Honolulu will hold a service in St. Andrew's Cathedral every Friday evening, beginning this evening at 7 o'clock.

MR. William Rowe, lately employed at the foundry, died at the Queen's Hospital this morning of fever. He was buried this afternoon from the Catholic Church.

CAPT. David Taylor's storehouse at Lahaina was broken into early Wednesday morning, the unknown burglar taking away \$7.50 and leaving evidences of a complete rummaging of the place.

MR. Ahuna, an extensive rice grower at Koolau, was reported as being very ill the other day. Dr. H. McGrew left for the other side of the island yesterday morning, but since then it has been learned that Ahuna has died.

At the monthly meeting of the Queen's Own last night, Captain O'Connor presided; a report on the expenses of the Queen's Birthday luau was accepted from Lieutenant Mahulu, acting Treasurer, and Lieut. Bright was elected Secretary instead of Lieut. Nahora Hippa, resigned.

By the schooner Jennie Walker it is learned that the natives of Ellece islands report the wreck of a Hawaiian schooner at that group. The vessels Ke Au Hou and Gen. Seigle, with all hands, are reported O. K. Mr. Duncan, mate of the Ke Au Hou, and a Mr. Henderson arrived by the schooner.

H. LORING, who once figured in the Police Court in Honolulu, for keeping a disorderly house, has been convicted at Makawao, Maui, of selling liquor without a license, and fined \$4000. Another man, formerly a stableman in this city, was convicted of illicit liquor selling at the same time, and fined \$150.

NEW buildings continue to go up at a fabulous rate of speed on the Chinese end of King street. Lately an old wooden rookery was pulled down at the southwest corner of King and Maunakea streets, disclosing an ancient stone mansion. The latter in turn was demolished, and a large wooden building is being constructed on the site.

MR. E. LYCAN, of fruit fame, has fared rather roughly with his recent banana exports. He shipped one hundred bunches by the W. G. Irwin, which was 14 days going up, and by last mail he received a letter from the consignees in San Francisco, saying that only twenty-seven bunches out of the hundred were fit for market, the others being rotten. Mr. Lycan claims there was something wrong somewhere, as the fruit was not too much matured when shipped, and either it was roughly handled or the consignees over-rated the damage.

SATURDAY, Jan. 9th.

TWO pedagogues came over the Pali this morning on two gray horses as much alike as two peas.

J. T. WATERHOUSE has removed his crockery and hardware business from King street to his building adjoining his Queen street store.

H. R. H. PRINCESS Likelike will hold a reception on Wednesday, 13th inst., from two to five p. m., the occasion being the thirty-fifth anniversary of her birthday.

AMONG the literary small talk in one of the papers received by the last steamer, it is reported that King Kalakaua is preparing for publication an account of his tour abroad the world.

LETTERS received from Rev. A. A. Sturges bring news of his continued bodily vigor, though he has not been able as yet to go out much from the house. His wife and daughter are with him, occupying a pleasant cottage in Oakland.

THE William Rowe who died in hospital yesterday was a recent arrival in the country. William Roe, who works in the foundry, as the deceased did, was thought by many, from the similarity of names, to have been the person reported dead in our issue of yesterday. In consequence he startled many of his acquaintances to-day by appearing before them alive and well.

A MOST order of Chinese decorative art is being expended on a new joss house on the mauka side of King street, a short distance on the town side of the bridge. There are landscapes, with beautiful birds in them, being put on the front, and the top of the building is adorned with highly ornate pieces of carved work. The coloring is really beautiful, while the designs are artistic in the Chinese fashion.

SOME Chinese burning incense in a private lane off King street below Maunakea, last night, left fire behind them. Shortly before ten o'clock two residents of Palama going home observed brisk flames rising from the spot, within a few inches of a building, and a train of combustibles leading to the lattice work at the base of the structure. After rapping at the door of the shop on that side without response, they opened the gate and put out the fire.

AT a meeting of Hawaiian Council, No. 689, A. L. of H., held last evening, the following officers were elected:—Past Commander, C. A. Brown; Commander, J. F. Eckart; Vice-Commander, E. W. Tucker; Orator, A. O. Forbes; Secretary, J. A. Palmer; Collector, E. W. Peterson; Treasurer, C. Huxtable; Chaplain, W. D. Alexander; Guide, T. F. Lansing; Warden, Geo. C. Stratemeyer; Sentry, Julius Asch. Mr. Charles H. Eldridge has been appointed Deputy Supreme Commander of this jurisdiction.

STEAMER Iwalani brings news of pretty good weather. The Honokaa mill has shut down for several days to put in a new double effect. The steamer Ivy Holmes, after being towed off Hilo beach, was to steam to Kukuiahae, where Capt. Wilfong was to receive and pilot her to this port. It is further learned that the steamer, after accomplishing a portion of the distance from Hilo to Kukuiahae, was compelled to put back. The supposition is that she leaks.

MR. Z. Y. Squires has issued a manifesto on public affairs, concluding with a recommendation of Messrs. A. Marques, H. S. Swinton D. W. P. Kealaula and himself as independent candidates for the district of Honolulu. The paper is strongly against Asiatic immigration—Chinese and Japanese—opposes a Hawaiian protectorate of the South Sea Islands (which Germany and Spain have already appropriated, saving our politicians of all kinds further trouble on that score), and pronounces against the contract labor law. Mr. Marques said to our representative that he was in nowise committed by the document, but would probably speak for himself shortly.

THE late Mr. George E. Sherman, whose death occurred yesterday afternoon, at the American House, was one of the old residents of this Kingdom. Mr. Sherman's birthplace was in the State of Virginia, and he has been in this country over 40 years, and was a very intimate friend of Kamehameha III. He was many years in Kona, Hawaii, carrying on the business of saddler, and about five years ago removed to Honolulu, where he was engaged in the same business until about a week ago, when he was taken ill. His death was caused by an attack of dysentery, under which he sank in a few hours. Mr. Sherman leaves a large family of sons and daughters to mourn their loss; and was highly respected by a large circle of friends and acquaintances.

MONDAY, Jan. 11th.

MESSRS. Barnes & McCandless have failed to strike water at Kamalo, Molokai.

THE country politicians must feel that their seats are safe, by the way they are flocking into town.

TO-day is the 14th anniversary of the funeral of Kamehameha V., and the 36th of the first election of Representatives.

THE Bethel Gospel Temperance meeting, on Saturday evening, had a pretty full attendance. Mr. W. Waterhouse, of Cedar Rapids, Iowa, presided.

THE bicycle race at Central Park Rink Saturday night was pretty tame. George Huddy and James White competed, and Huddy won, doing the five miles' distance in 17 minutes and 45 seconds.

THE Captain of the schooner Rob Roy picked up a piece of fancy moulding belonging to a vessel's bow in the channel yesterday morning. It is thought to be from the brig Hesperian lately wrecked at Kahului.

NOR long ago the authorities arrested a humble Chinaman for shingling or doing some trivial work on the Sabbath, while yesterday carpenters were at work on the ceiling of Spreckels' bank and yet no arrests were made.

THE whaler Lydia, standing off and on this morning, was chasing sperm whales all day yesterday, but failed to make a catch. She came here to take on board her chief officer, who was ill and left here recently for treatment.

THE annual parade of the Honolulu Fire Department will take place on February 4th, as the regular day, the 3rd, has been appropriated for the legislative elections. It will come in well to celebrate the victory of whichever side wins the day.

THE Advertiser's "Honolulu Almanac and Directory," third year, is out, strong in statistics and original articles relating to these Islands. It is a great improvement on the former issues, is well-printed, and a credit to the editor and compiler, Mr. R. J. Creighton, his staff, and the specialists assisting.

CAPT. Nathaniel Ingersoll died at Portland, Oregon, on Dec. 5th, leaving a wife, son and three daughters. He will be remembered in Honolulu as having commanded the clipper White Swallow in 1858 and 1859, and the S.S. Dakota of Webb's line in 1872. His death was sudden, being caused by apoplexy.

MR. W. J. Sheldon, special Customs officer, has seized twenty-five tins of opium at Kahului, in the store of a Chinaman named Ami, who with a fellow-countryman recently had an unsuccessful suit for damages against Mr. John Wagner, of the Customs, for breaking open boxes in looking for opium.

MAJOR Wodehouse, H. B. M.'s Commissioner and Consul-General, had an audience of the King this morning at 10 A. M., for the purpose of delivering to His Majesty the answers of Her Majesty Queen Victoria and of Her Royal Highness the Princess Beatrice to letters from King Kalakaua expressing his good wishes on the occasion of Her Royal Highness's marriage.

AN open air meeting was held yesterday afternoon on the wharf at the foot of Fort street, under the auspices of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union. Addresses were delivered by Mr. P. C. Jones and Mr. S. D. Fuller, in English, and by Rev. A. O. Forbes in Hawaiian. About two hundred persons were in attendance. The W. C. T. U. intend to hold similar services on subsequent Sunday afternoons.