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## NORDHOFF'S LETTER

Describes the Reaction Among

Planters on Annexation.

Exposes the Hypocrisy of the Anti-

Lottery Cry Against the Queen.

[Telegraphed from San Francisco to the New York Herald.]

HONOLULU, April 25, via SAN FRANCISCO, May 2, 1893.—Annexation has lost ground here in the last few days among those interested in plantations. An outspoken man said the other day:

"It is the plain truth that we are all sugar planters because we all depend upon sugar. The planter classes, therefore, begin to see that with annexation their labor supply will be cut off at both ends. Portuguese, Chinese and Japanese will flock to the continent and United States laws will prohibit the planters getting in new supplies. It is a wonder they did not think of this before, but they were told by some one that the United States would be so anxious to annex them that Congress would allow them to continue the importation of contract laborers."

HURRYING IN MORE LABORERS.

Those who still cling to annexation are now hurriedly sending to China and Japan for more laborers. Between three thousand and four thousand Japanese have already been ordered, and I don't know how many thousand Chinese, but some planters have been, I am told, in consultation with leading Chinese here this week to see how they can most quickly get even a good number of Chinese laborers. These are preferred to the Japanese for several reasons. They are more easily contented, it is said, than the Japanese. But the talk is less of annexation and more of a protectorate. The shrewder planters think that, while annexation will deprive them of their laboring force, and so, they acknowledge, kill the sugar industry, if they can persuade the United States to give them a solid protectorate it will leave them free to import laborers of every race and kind and oblige the United States to land troops and otherwise interfere whenever they (the planters) ask it. In this way, as the old saying goes, they hope to eat their cake and have it.

SPRECKELS TALKS TO PLANTERS.

Mr. Claus Spreckels, who came down a week ago, has been busy looking over the situation and talking with the planters ever since. He said to a number of these yesterday:

"You want annexation. Well, if you should get that it would only ruin you and us all. We cannot grow sugar without imported and contract labor, and the laws of the United States forbid that.

"Annexation would turn the islands into a cow pasture and ruin the sugar industry. The Chinese, Japanese and Portuguese you have now would as soon as possible leave you for the Pacific coast under annexation, where they would better themselves, and you would be forbidden to bring in more."

A planter replied that if they could not have Chinese they would import Germans, Norwegians, white laborers. Mr. Spreckels very sensibly replied:

"Germans and Scandinavians, everybody knows, cannot work in our sugar fields on account of the climate. That is, therefore, out of the question, and we are left to Asiatic labor, which, under the laws of the United States, is prohibited. But as to getting in German and Scandinavian labor, how could you? If we are annexed we shall have here a Labor Commissioner. Can the class of German or Norwegian laborers you require pay their own passage? No; you will have to pay that.

"And when the ship comes in the Labor Commissioner says to the first one who lands, 'Where are you going?'"

"He answers, 'To Mr. Spreckels' plantation.'"

"'What for?'"

"'To work there.'"

"'Who paid your passage?'"

"'Mr. Spreckels.'"

"'Well,' says the Labor Commissioner, 'you can't land. You will have to go back. This is an attempt to evade the Contract Labor law, and that's the end of it.'"

I showed the above to Mr. Spreckels, who pronounced it correct and authorized me to make it public. He added that Japanese are obtained, not by individual planters, but by a convention between the Japanese government and that of Hawaii, and by the government, therefore, for the planters and on contract for laborers of three years and not longer.

MANY ABSURD HUMORS.

Of course the town is full of absurd rumors that the Queen will abdicate in favor of her niece, who is in England; that Congress will give the planters the right to import

Chinese and other contract laborers, &c., and it is said that the "army," like a true Pratorian guard, is demanding more pay. It is a fact that the Portuguese are respectfully, but very firmly, demanding a place in the provisional government for their nationality or they will disband their volunteer and unpaid company.

If these silly planters do not make haste in settlement the natives, the Japanese and perhaps the Chinese labor will demand similar recognition. Certainly the natives ought to have a place. It is reported to me that the provisional government people have suggested to Judge Widemann, a German resident here for more than fifty years, and a man of large influence over the natives, that if he will accept a place shall be made for him in the provisional government. He is opposed to annexation, and the offer, if it has been really made, is significant.

I have just seen a letter from a planter in the island of Kauai, the most fertile of the group, which relates that most planters there want annexation, with an agreement that contract labor shall be specially permitted. But they want no annexation without contract labor. This planter's letter goes on to say that they sent a delegate to Honolulu to say this to Commissioner Blount.

MINISTER STEVENS' INTRIGUE.

Minister Stevens has been engaged all the last week in an intrigue having for its object to alarm the Queen and cause her to abdicate. Mr. Dole, head of the provisional government, has been, it is understood, working with the American Minister at this enterprise and reports have been set afloat that President Cleveland wishes her to make a cession of the islands to the United States; that Commissioner Blount would be pleased if she did; that Mr. Blount is going away soon; that he intends to land troops again and hoist the American flag; that he is unhappy over the situation; that he is afraid to leave her even to visit some of the other islands without first putting an American garrison in possession of Honolulu, and so forth.

These reports have been industriously circulated in the hope that the poor Queen's abdication would be hastened or effected thereby. It is hardly necessary to say these reports are absolutely false, but in this queer gossip little spot the daily crop of rumors is very large, and people otherwise reputable do not hesitate just now, if political exigencies seem to require it, to set afloat the wildest and most improbable stories.

THE NOTORIOUS LOTTERY BILL.

To show now what can be done here unobscuringly by otherwise decent people, let me tell you the dull story of the notorious Lottery bill. Concerning the passage of that bill Mr. Stevens wrote in a published despatch of January 18:—

"Immediately after the Boston and myself had left Honolulu the unscrupulous adventurers around the Queen improved the opportunity to push through the Legislature an astounding lottery franchise."

In the same despatch he speaks further of the lottery legislation as a lottery bribe. The annexationists and provisional government people have also made a great outcry. The iniquity of this lottery bill and the wicked and unscrupulous gang of adventurers who urged and bribed the Queen and legislative body into this sinful step, they have loudly proclaimed as one of the chief cases why they think good government under the Queen impossible any longer.

You will scarcely believe it, yet it is a solemn and ridiculous fact that petitions to the Legislature and the Queen urging, and in some cases demanding, the passage of the Lottery bill, were openly in circulation some days before Mr. Stevens left in the Boston, so that he could hardly have been ignorant of them, or of the further fact that these petitions, which I have seen, were signed by about eight hundred and sixty persons, almost all white men, most of whom are to-day loud mouthed annexationists, while some are actually members of the provisional government or office-holders under it.