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BUSINESS MEN OF THE CITY ARE REQUESTED TO MAKE ANY INVESTIGATION THEY PLEASE AS TO THE ACCURACY OF THESE FIGURES. THE BOOKS OF THE BULLETIN ARE OPEN TO THEM.

The Advertiser publishes a dispatch this morning relative to Judge Humphreys which it is pleased to interpret as foreshadowing the removal of the judge. All the hope the Advertiser and Thurston's thirty-six followers can gather from that dispatch they are welcome to. Humphreys will not be removed and Thurston and his thirty-six meek followers will find themselves joining with Hankey in kicking themselves.

The Saturday closing proposition is one that should properly receive the attention of the Merchants' Association. It is for the adjustment of such matters that the Association exists. This organization is in a position to deal with the merchants with proper regard for the competition always offered by the Oriental traders. The methods adopted by the Christian Associations always causes more or less ill will among merchants holding positive opinions.

Some time ago Chief Justice Frear called for bids on printing for the Supreme Court. The Bulletin made the lowest tender, but the work was awarded to the official paper organ, the Advertiser. When Frear was called upon for an explanation he stated blandly that the Advertiser had already done a portion of the work before the call for tenders was made. No mention was made of this fact however in the call for bids. It is then remarkable that this same Chief Justice privately announces what the decision of the Supreme Court will be on the habeas corpus cases a full forty-eight hours before the attorneys have filed their briefs?

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Sugar Co. Refused Drawback.
 Washington, Aug. 9.—In the case of the application of the California and Hawaii Sugar Refining Company for the liquidation of certain drawback entries covering shipments of sugar to Guam, the Treasury Department has held that while Guam and Tutuila remain foreign territory so far as customs duties are concerned, they are not foreign countries within the meaning of the drawback laws, as exportations for this purpose must be made to countries without the jurisdiction of the United States. No drawback therefore can be allowed.

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ANOTHER HITCH IN AFFAIRS AT PEKING
 Washington, Aug. 9.—Apparently there is a serious hitch in Peking in the signature of the Chinese protocol which will terminate foreign intervention in China.
 Sir Ernest Satow, the British Minister, has objected to several clauses in the protocol, and to the proposal that the tariff question be referred to a board of experts at Shanghai.
 The facts in possession of Acting Secretary Adee regarding the latest phase of Peking trouble are thus set forth in an official statement made today:
 "A cable dispatch received from Mr. Rockhill late yesterday reports that the delay in signing of the final protocol of the agreement between the Powers and China is due to objections raised by Great Britain against an international commission for the revision of the tariff. The nature of the British objection is not stated. It also appears that the British Government asks a reconsideration of some clauses, as to which no agreement had heretofore been reached, owing to the opposition of several of the Powers."
 It is understood that Rockhill has been impressed with the urgency of having the protocol signed as quickly as possible. He is using all his influence to remove the objections raised by Sir Ernest Satow, and if it is possible to do so will arrange a compromise.

FOR HAWAII COFFEE
 Washington, Aug. 6.—The Interior Department has received a resolution passed by the Hawaiian Legislature praying that Congress impose a duty on all coffee imported from other countries, "and in this way protect that industry in Hawaii and other parts of the United States."
 The resolution will be forwarded to Congress at the opening of the next session. It says the coffee industry in Hawaii is now in a depressed condition, and is threatened with abandonment on account of low prices and removal of protective duties on all coffee imported into the Territory of Hawaii before the annexation, and the large amounts imported into the United States from Brazil, Mexico, Central America and other countries free of duty. The resolution refers to the large amount of American capital invested there and the inability to compete with the low prices where cheap labor is employed, as in the countries mentioned.

OREGONIAN COMING
 San Francisco, Aug. 10.—The American-Hawaiian Company's new steamship Oregonian arrived from New York yesterday with over 7,000 tons of general cargo. She made the run via Montevideo, Straits of Magellan and Coronel—seventy-three days, and would have been here ten days earlier had it not been for a slight defect in the machinery, which compelled Captain Williams to put into Montevideo for repairs. The work was done by the vessel's crew, and she got away again for San Francisco after a four days' stop. In consequence of the delay, the Californian, which left New York twenty days after the Oregonian, was only ten days behind her at Coronel.
 The Oregonian arrived at Coronel on July 13, and passed the Pacific Steam Navigation Company's Talca haw and last on a pinnacle of rock at the entrance to the harbor. The Talca was a brand new vessel on her maiden voyage. She was built by Beardmore & Co. of Glasgow and went into commission last December.

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