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Nothing is impossible to the man who can will. "Is that necessary? That shall be." This is the only law of success.—Mirabeau.

The campaign against the mosquito is on. Read the scheme and see to it that you do your share as a member of the army that knows no such thing as defeat.

Merchants and their association might just as well vote for the destruction of their business as to show any hesitancy in meeting the issue of local self-government.

What must Congress or the people of the mainland think if they should find that citizens of Honolulu hesitate on the issue of local self-government or fail to discern the real issue at stake in the bill before Congress under the name of a prohibition law?

Nothing short of free sugar or the leaf-hopper can work destruction to the business progress of Honolulu equal to that which would certainly result from a surrender to a government by commission bill forced through Congress under the name of a prohibition measure.

## SELF-GOVERNMENT THE ISSUE.

Honolulu business men of calm judgment have no need to hesitate in connection with the action to be taken on the issue presented by the proposed prohibition legislation now before Congress.

Those who believe that the people of this Territory should govern themselves under the Organic Act passed by Congress, at the time of annexation, should vote first, last, and always against the assumption by the Federal government of any further authority than is now exercised; they should stand by home rule.

Those who believe that they and all other citizens should be governed by outside authority, that they should be handled as dependents and incompetents, that this Territory should move backward fifty years in its government—those who believe in the degradation of Hawaii—will vote in support of the movement for the Federal government to assume additional authority in handling the liquor traffic.

The issue is fairly presented, and the response should be direct. There can be no evasion.

Some may consider it unfortunate that the liquor question should be the medium by which the issue is raised. They may have one opinion on the liquor problem and another on too much interference of the Federal government with our measure of home rule. It is just such men whose hesitating and faltering opinions may turn the tide in favor of commission government and destruction of Hawaii's independence.

But situations don't create themselves to order. Home rule is now at stake and now is the time for citizens to express their honest, positive opinions on the government of the islands. This is the great issue underlying the whole agitation. Prohibition or no prohibition is merely the froth that attracts attention—what in a general way shows the direction of the controlling currents below.

Citizens of Hawaii should refuse to be fooled by the radical supporter of prohibition who uses the present opportunity to declare that any interference with what is now being done in Congress is putting one self on the side of the dive keeper and liquor dispenser of the low brothel.

Business men have the habit of getting at the bottom of things. They are in the habit of dealing with men who attempt to fool them in their trade transactions. They are just as keen as the next one.

All they have to do in the present instance is to apply the same keen judgment to the home rule and prohibition controversy, and act in a direct manner that no one can misunderstand—act for home rule.

## EVENING SMILES

Two charming sisters who live in the west-side Seventies are engaged to two brothers, and, as far as New Yorkers ever interest themselves in anything, their neighbors have been interested in this dual love affair. The young girls occupy the fourth-floor apartment on the south side of the street, and the other day the elder sister was stopped in the street by the young scion of the family who occupies the fourth-floor apartment in the house just opposite.

"Oh, Miss M—," said the small boy, trotting along at her side, as he had often done before, "my papa said last night that someone ought to tell you to pull down the blinds, 'cause, if love is blind, the neighbors is not!"

Under its present form of government, Honolulu and the Territory generally will advance, as does every self-governing, intelligent community blessed with a fair measure of opportunity and courageous citizenship.

To take away any part of our present rights and privileges of self-government is to blight the progress of the islands, and work destruction.

## THINKERS AND PROHIBITION.

Prohibition has been discussed in circles as intelligent as those we enjoy in Honolulu and one of the most distinguished assemblies handling the question was that called by the Economic Club of Boston some months ago. In the views offered at that session, prohibition found few supporters. The topic was "The Liquor Problem."

Augustus Raymond Hatton, professor of political science in Western Reserve University, spoke largely in favor of district option.

Norman Hapgood, editor of Collier's Magazine, expressed himself in favor of the Scandinavian system, and believed the open-mindedness of the people would solve the problem.

Hugh E. Fox, secretary of the U. S. Brewers' Association, asked for the cooperation of the temperance workers with the brewers in solving and regulating the evils of the liquor traffic. He welcomed the no-license wave as causing honest inquiry among intelligent men and did not believe saloons should be allowed in residential districts.

Hugo Munsterberg, professor of psychology in Harvard University, said he did not believe in the way of prohibition which had swept over the country and called it a bad policy. He believed in total abstinence for all nervous people and young folks, but on the other hand said alcohol was not dangerous to the normal man in small doses. Mental life would be better if, after sitting in a room filled with smoke, for two hours one took some alcohol, he added. Prohibition will lead to a sharp reaction and destroy all the good the people hope to gain and is the greatest enemy to sound movement of real temperance, creating a disrespect for the law, he concluded.

Each had his own idea for handling the liquor problem, but no one endorsed prohibition as a practical means to a temperate end.

Flatter a man if you want him to have implicit faith in your judgment.

When it comes to jealousy and crowing a man can put it all over a rooster.

## HAWAII SCHOOL FACTS.

NO. XXIV.  
COMPARATIVE TABLE SHOWING DISTRIBUTION OF PUPILS IN GRADES.

Grades.	1899	1903	1908
Receiving	5,803	5,803	5,149,276
I	3,658	4,013	5,149,276
II	2,280	2,244	2,912,462
III	1,810	1,736	2,426,263
IV	1,427	1,660	2,168,956
V	1,074	1,074	1,288,114
VI	2,066	567	700,885
VII	314	567	405,693
VIII	327	567	323,607
Total	8,004	19,527	15,368,256

## WILBERFORCE OF HILO ON TRAIL

### First Clue As To Piliikia Makers May Lead To Their Arrest

The arrangements for the British float for the Floral Day Parade are progressing favorably and will be one of the best in the parade. This float will be a typical representation of the British Isles. The committee in charge of this is as follows: Geo. Davies, Robt. Catton, John Walker, J. H. Fiddes.

A professional decorator has been engaged, and the committee has sent to San Francisco for suitable costumes, so that this entry may be a truthful representation of the lands of the rose, thistle, shamrock and harp.

The Chinese merchants, in addition to handsomely subscribing to putting in the finest float ever seen here, are helping other entries of their countrymen. A party of young Chinese have subscribed a sum of \$250, which amount has been forwarded to the finance committee, with a view to making the Chinese section of the parade unique in every way.

Considering that the Chinese New Year celebrations are to be held on Wednesday, a time when all good Chinese pay up their debts and provide for this festival, it speaks well for these representatives of the Flowery Kingdom that they have come forward in such a handsome manner to make their section of the parade the finest and most costly ever seen here.

No clue of any great importance, in regard to the capture of Jimmy Wilder's confederates, who are trying to make piliikia for the Floral Parade, has come to light. The result of Saturday's confab between Director-General Harold Dillingham and Chief Duffie has been that Chief of Detectives Wilberforce of Hilo has been put in charge of a special detail from Hawaii, and it is expected that the culprits will be run to earth before very long.

While in the neighborhood of Tantalus yesterday afternoon, Chief McDuffie came across an old paint brush. Whether it was of the size commonly used by artists of Mr. Wilder's stamp, could not be ascertained, as Chief McDuffie had had explicit orders to keep mum on all subjects pertaining to this piliikia affair.

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The brush in question has been marked "Exhibit A" and is now in the safe deposit vault of the First National Bank. From outward indications, it had apparently been used quite recently, as the under crust was still moist and of a deep brick-red color.

The place where this brush was found was well adapted for meetings of conspirators, as the foliage was particularly dense and there was no trail in the immediate neighborhood. The grass had been tramped down, showing that there must have been at least five or six in the party. There were several cigar butts and half-consumed matches scattered about the place, and from the bands it was seen that the cigars were of no common brand. An empty flask, which still retained a faint odor of whiskey, was concealed behind the stump of a charred eucalyptus tree. The label had been carefully torn off and evidently burnt, as there were signs of a small fire.

A sample of the paint from the brush has been submitted to an analyst in order that he may be able to find out the exact composition of the paint, so that dealers may be approached and their samples compared. In this way Chief McDuffie will know for certain whether the paint was mixed locally. Two of the cigar butts were brought down, but they were so badly bitten at one end that it will be a difficult matter to determine just how strong the nicotine may have been in order that the brand and an estimate of their probable cost may be obtained.

However, now that detectives are really on the trail and Wilberforce of Hilo is in pursuit, something startling is bound to transpire within a few days. By tomorrow at noon it is expected that some tangible proof of Wilder's complicity will be forthcoming and a special detective sent to the South Sea Islands to arrest this piliikia maker.

## CRUISERS FINISH COALING TODAY

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to make room for the Pacific Mail liner China, which is expected from the Coast early tomorrow morning. The Tennessee and the Washington are to proceed to Bremerton. These vessels will remain as units in the formation from the time of leaving the harbor until well out and away from the island, when the two vessels will change their course and proceed northward, while the remaining six cruisers will continue the voyage to San Francisco.

The departure of the fleet from Honolulu may hinge upon the arrival of the Pacific Mail liner China, which is believed to be bearing important mail for the West.

Admiral Sebree has transferred his flag from the Tennessee to the California. He now has much more ample quarters. Admiral Sebree will haul down his flag from the cruiser on the nineteenth of this month, which is the date set for his retirement from the service.  
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## MINDORO SCHEME NOT SUGAR TRUST'S

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house. The scheme bought from mainland banks.

Under the contract the mill has to be ready for shipment by December of this year, and it is certain to be on the way at that time.

The award of this contract is a great compliment to the local iron works, as the request for tenders came unsolicited, and Honolulu takes the work out of the greatest center of sugar mill manufacturing in the world. One of the New York gentlemen interested made the statement that he wanted to give the work to the Honolulu Iron Works because it always had its mill finished on time, and the mills made by this concern have always run the first year without a hitch—that is more than could be said of the others.

Mr. Poole, for many years manager of Spreckelsville, will be the manager of the Mindoro proposition and is now on the ground. Mr. Dyer of the Iron Works is now on his way to the site of the plantation to settle on matter of water supply, mill site, transportation and so forth.

The local Iron Works considers that it is doing well to bring business to the city in connection with new sugar mills in a territory that will not come into direct competition with the local sugars. It has never taken or gone after contracts for the construction of sugar mills in Cuba.

## U. S. BY COUP, MEETS MANCHURIA PROBLEM

China May Get Into Trouble by Ignoring Compact Made With Japan—China Takes Bold Steps in Manchuria Affair.

WASHINGTON, January 21. — The Taft administration was able to announce this evening through the State Department a complete and startling answer to the rejection by Russia and Japan of the Knox plan for the preservation of the open door in China, which was made today. The United States charge d'affaires at Peking, Mr. Fletcher, advised Secretary Knox that China has issued an imperial rescript permitting the construction and guarantee of bonds of the American-British Railroad in Manchuria, from Chien-Foo to Aigun.

Almost simultaneously with this important news, Secretary Knox received intelligence that Japan and Russia had officially rejected his plan for the neutralization of railways in Manchuria. China flouts Japan.

The international importance of the action by China consists of the fact that China has disregarded her treaty with Japan of September 24, 1909, by which Japan was to be consulted whenever China proposed to make a railway concession or a mining concession in Manchuria.

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## W. A. KINNEY DENOUNCES FEDERAL CONTROL EFFORTS.

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that we be given Asiatic labor, whether the same be granted to our fellow-citizens on the mainland or not; the claim that we ought to be privileged to ship our sugars in foreign bottoms; our present demand for a suspension of the coastwise laws; the Pinkham brief sent to Congress attempting to prove that the islands were first for an American community of laborers, and that only Asiatics could thrive here in agricultural pursuits, and now this last plea that Uncle Sam must police our drinking habits are one and all proofs from our own lips that we belong in the "Island possession" class, to be governed outside of the Constitution and at the will of Congress. In my judgment, in pursuing this course, we are and have been playing with fire, not fire, chain lightning. We should cling desperately to local self-government and enter a protest publicly and privately against any move, however slight, invading that right. Unfortunately the issue of home rule is involved in, or comes up or grows out of the liquor question, which many citizens feel should be abated as a common nuisance and with a strong hand, but we should know enough to keep our minds on the main issue. Many people seem to think that prohibition will prohibit if Congress passes it. Congress, with a military government back of it, could not break down local sentiment in the South, after the Civil War; its only effect was to destroy prosperity and generate endless bad blood. The history of local self-government shows that communities thrive under it and sturdy citizenship is developed thereby. There is nothing in our plea to Congress: "You take care of us," to recommend us to a self-respecting community on the mainland or anywhere else. Congress would not dream of suggesting such a law either as to Arizona or New Mexico. It is because we have pictured ourselves, or allowed others to do so, as being on a par with an Indian reservation, that such liberties are now being taken with this Territory.

One has but to read of the terrible effects of drink on the mainland, as evidenced daily in the mainland papers, to realize that it is rather hysterical for us to claim that the evil effects of drink in Hawaii are necessarily such as to call for Congressional prohibition, brought about by an invasion of our constitutional right to home rule.

Back of this demand upon Congress by us is an unwillingness to do our own duty, coupled, I am afraid, with a deliberate wish on the part of some to destroy local self-government.

We are certainly running our heads into a noose and must secretly be a laughing stock in the eyes of those who not only are stimulating government by commission but under that government propose a plan of campaign that, if I do not miss my guess, will raise the hair in consternation of many who are now helping on that form of government because they think it will inaugurate a rule by "some of us" without the bother of referring matters to the people once in a while at elections.

Yours truly,  
W. A. KINNEY.

## JAPANESE SHOT BY SAILOR AT IWILEI

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window, and the glass was down. However, Kachi happened to be standing in the line of the bullet and he received the ball in the stomach.

As soon as the shooting was done, the two men, who were in a drunken condition, wandered off to a native house, and it was there that Captain Punahou of the police force arrested them.

It was ticklish work for the police officer, as there was only one door to the room the sailors were in, and Hussey sat exactly opposite it with the revolver resting on his knee. The captain of police got his own gun out ready for action, and just as he was going to jump in and take a chance on being shot, the sailor's attention was distracted and he turned away from the door. The captain was on top of the man before he knew what was doing, and then the rest was easy. The patrol wagon was called for, and the two sailors taken to the police station.

The revolver used in the shooting affair was found in Hussey's possession. It is a new one and showed signs of having been used, although the chambers were full of new shells.

Ryan, the second man, is being held as a witness in the case, and he has been identified as the man who was in company of Hussey at the time the pair visited the Japanese home. Hussey made a wild statement about having taken the revolver from a hack driver and that he was going to turn it over to the officer of the watch on his ship when he reached the vessel.

An inquisitive messenger boy saved the life of a girl who planned suicide in Denver recently. He read a note she wrote to a friend and rushed with it to the police station. A police doctor reached the girl's side soon after she took a dose of poison.

A man may bow to the inevitable, but he doesn't lift his hat.

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