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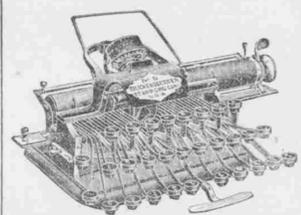
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PALAMA AND HILO FIRST

Lady Appointed to Responsible Position—The Koolau Agency. Teachers Assigned.

Minister Cooper, Inspector-General Townsend, Deputy Inspector Gibson, Prof. Alexander, H. M. von Holt, Chas. L. Hopkins, Secretary Rodgers, Mrs. Dillingham and Mrs. Jordan were present at a special meeting of the Commissioners of Education held at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

Minister Cooper reported that the

Cabinet had appropriated \$50,000 to be used at once for new school houses.

He considered the 12-room school house at Palama, to cost \$25,000, and the 4-room house at Hilo, to cost \$4,500, should be built first, being most urgently needed. On motion of Mr. Von Holt Minister Cooper was authorized to go ahead at once with the work of securing tenders for the buildings.

The question of assistant secretary and Honolulu school agent, provided by the new law, came up. Considerable discussion arose over it. There were three applicants. Miss Rose Davison was elected on vote, her commission to date from August.

F. H. Gibson was appointed Normal instructor. Mr. Gibson has just completed a long term most faithfully and satisfactorily as Deputy Inspector of Schools.

The matter of a permanent school agent for Koolauloa and Koolau, to succeed Wm. Henry, resigned, was the subject of considerable discussion. Mr. Von Holt wished to provide an agent for each of the districts. This was thought unnecessary by Minister Cooper and Prof. Alexander. Henry Cobb Adams was elected for both districts.

Mr. Von Holt presented the name of Julian Monsarrat for school agent of Kauai, to succeed Mr. Maueke, resigned. Other names were presented. Matter was deferred.

Mr. Townsend brought up the subject of enlarging the printing outfit at Lahaina. Colonel Parker had enlisted teachers with the importance of printing arrangements. Lahaina wished to enlarge its facilities so as to be able to take over entirely the paper enterprise. The sum of \$640 was appropriated for surplus material required for the outfit. It was decided to put in the school a man competent to do printing and editorial work.

The following transfers were made: J. N. Taggard and wife from Waianae to Kalihua; Cyril O. Smith from Hilo Union School to Waianae. Armstrong Smith asked for leave of absence until Christmas in order that he may take a course under Colonel Parker in the Cook County Normal School, Chicago. He stated in a letter that arrangements had been made for the course. Allowed.

Mrs. Frazier was transferred to the Fort street school; Mrs. Green was promoted to be principal of the Beretania street school; Mrs. Ginn was made principal of Kawahalo school; Miss Della Weight of Hilo was appointed assistant in Kawahalo school; Mr. Greany from Kapaa, Kauai, to Hilo Union school; Mrs. Kelsey from Kekeha, Kauai, to Hilo Union school; Miss Thurston from Papakou to Hilo Union school; Miss Maile from Mana to Waianae; Miss Hadley from Kilauea to Lihue; Miss Bindt from Molokai to Kapaa; Miss Mary Parker and Burnet Smith to Kapaa; John Bush, Jr., to Kilauea; Miss Jones to a position in Kohala; Miss Birdie Kennedy to Fort street school.

At 5 the meeting adjourned to 2:30 p. m., Thursday.

Next Transports.

The St. Paul was to have sailed from San Francisco on July 29, and should arrive here next Saturday. She has the

first battalion, South Dakota regiment, and Minnesota and Colorado recruits. Capt. James G. Blaine, Jr., is probably among the officers on board. The Scandia and Arizona are to sail on August 7th for Honolulu. The latter is the largest vessel on the Pacific and but recently came into possession of the Government.

Gaelic Passengers.

John Ena and family and Captain C. J. Campbell returned by the Gaelic, which arrived in port shortly before 3 o'clock this morning.

Frank Hustace and wife, George Kleugel, Allen Herbert and wife and Miss Stella Love are among the town kamaainas to arrive.

Percy Goldson comes down by the Gaelic to get out a special Hawaiian illustrated edition of The Wasp.

LARGE POST HERE

Honolulu Is to Be an Important Garrison.

Naval and Military Base With Strong Fortifications—Honolulu and Pearl Harbor.

(Chronicle 26).

The fact that Honolulu is to become a most important post of the Army becomes more certain every day. Maj. Langitt, commanding the battalion of engineers, has been asked to lose no time in leaving for Honolulu, in advance of his command. Being a skilled engineer, he will make a preliminary survey of the harbor and plan in a superficial way the fortifications that will be erected at once. The defenses are to be of the most modern and formidable kind.

"Uncle Sam will make Honolulu impregnable," said a prominent officer last night. "The city is to be a naval and military base and will be the site of the strongest fortifications in the world, if money and brains can construct them. This will take time, but meanwhile steps will be taken so that the city will not be open to attack. A reservation will be secured by the Army, and on it will be erected barracks and houses for officers, to form a post of considerable size.

"Just how many men will compose the garrison cannot be said, but I look for several thousand to be detailed for the islands within the next three months. Before three years have elapsed Honolulu and Pearl Harbor will be able to defy the battleships of any hostile nation. The next Congress will be asked to make a large appropriation for this purpose, and millions will be spent in the work."

Liliuokalani Returns.

EX-Queen Liliuokalani, her secretary Joseph Heleluhe and John S. Richardson returned by the Gaelic this morning from Washington. Mrs. Dominis



LILIUOKALANI.

is in good health. She would talk very little about her plans. Before leaving Washington she made preliminary preparations for suing the United States Government for possession of the Hawaiian crown lands, and will shortly return to America to appear in the case. J. O. Carter was rowed out to the steamer and was the first caller upon the Ex-Queen.

The Philadelphia.

The Philadelphia will be expected to arrive tomorrow, but may not show up before Thursday or Friday. Captain Campbell of the I. I. S. N. Co., who returned by the Gaelic this morning, said that her orders were to come down under slow steam, which may mean a voyage of eight or nine days.

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GEN. MILES LEADS ARMY

Forces of United States Are Now In Porto Rico.

JAPAN, TOO, WITH AMERICA

To Attack Manila—Germany—Embassadors Inquire—In Madrid—Fever.

LANDING IN PORTO RICO.

ST. THOMAS, July 25.—The United States troops under General Miles are landing today on the island of Porto Rico, near Ponce on the southern coast. So far as known no fighting has taken place.

Captain Lotze, of the German steamer Croatia, which arrived here yesterday and reported having been fired upon three times off San Juan, Porto Rico, on Saturday, by an American war ship, understood to be the United States cruiser New Orleans, was quoted in an interview today as saying that the first solid shot fell within two yards of the ship. The steamer was immediately stopped, but her captain adds that two more shots were fired over the Croatia's bows from close range.

Later an officer from the New Orleans boarded the Croatia and asked if the ship was injured. Captain Lotze was highly indignant at being fired upon, as he considered his ship was outside the blockading zone. He says he saw nothing of the invading fleet.

NEW YORK, July 25.—A cable to the World from Turin says: The British steamer Stella from Jamaica, bound for Porto Rico for a cargo, arrived here today. The captain reports that he saw fourteen American war ships off Toruans Island, Haiti, last Friday, bound for Porto Rico. The Stella was ordered by men from the gunboat Dixie and warned not to proceed to Porto Rico, on account of the blockade, so she came here to cable to the owners for instructions.

MORE FOR PORTO RICO.

NEW YORK, July 25.—A special to the Sun from Washington says: Information was received by the War Department today that Major General Brooke, who will be second in command at Porto Rico, would sail from Newport News tomorrow on the cruiser St. Louis. He will be accompanied by his staff, and as he is to be carried on the fastest vessel in the Navy it is probable that he will be landed in Porto Rico within the next four days.

JAPAN WITH AMERICA TOO.

LONDON, July 25.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says four Russian men-of-war have left Port Arthur and it is supposed that their destination is the Philippine islands. Another dispatch from Shanghai says the Japanese war cruisers Yoshino, Chino, and Takikishima and Sal Yen have been hastily dispatched to Sasebo to re-enforce the Japanese squadron ordered to co-operate with the British and American Admirals in the event of international complications.

While the dispatch does not explain the matter it is inferred that the squadron is desired to be in readiness for Philippine operations.

EMBASSADORS INQUIRE.

WASHINGTON, July 25.—One Ambassador was at the White House on July 19th and the German Ambassador last Friday. It turns out, according to the diplomat referred to, that they all came here under instructions to make precise inquiries on the subject of the Philippines. Japan and China, who are intensely interested in the possible effects upon them of a radical disturbance of the relations of European nations in the Far East, also sent their Ministers to ask similar questions.

These inquiries were met by the statement, it is said, that whatever the issue may be in the islands the United States will endeavor to so conduct matters there as to give no just cause of offense or anxiety to other nations, having in view always the rights and duties of this Government and the best interests of all others.

MANILA HUNGRY.

HONGKONG, July 25.—The situation in Manila grows more desperate hourly. The Spanish at last concede that the insurgent is hemming him in, and fears that the water supply of the city will be cut off. The loss of 3,500 prisoners has to be severely, and the city is growing hungry. The desperate Spaniards partially vented his spleen on the Englishman in Manila, but dares not go too far. Over the door at the Spanish Military Club there is a placard making a daily reference to Englishmen.

KING JOB OPEN.

LONDON, July 25.—A dispatch to the Daily Chronicle from Shanghai says that Li Hou, the King of Corea, desires to abdicate and to take refuge at the British consulate at Seoul. The British Consul, however, declines to receive him.

CAMARA AND WATSON.

NEW YORK, July 25.—Admiral Camara's Spanish squadron is being strengthened as much as possible to give battle to Commodore Watson at Ceuta. Spain has abandoned the Canaries to protection of land fortifications.

LEO'S HEALTH.

NEW YORK, July 25.—A cable to the Sun from London says: Information as to the Pope's serious state of health called a fortnight ago, requires no modification.

RELIEVING DISTRESS.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 23.—The

distribution of relief from the Red Cross steamer State of Texas is progressing favorably.

KIOWA GOLD.

VICTORIA, B. C., July 23.—Over a million—and it would almost be safe to say a million and a half—dollars' worth of gold was received in Victoria today. Ninety per cent of this amount of gold was brought by the 106 passengers who arrived on the steamer Garonne early this morning from St. Michael, most of them having made their way down from Dawson.

SURRENDER COMPLETE.

SANTIAGO DE CUBA, July 23.—The 7,000 Spanish soldiers at Guantanamo laid down their arms today. The 3,300 men from Palma Soriano, San Luis and Longo surrendered yesterday to Lieut. Milley, and today pack trains with provisions were sent to them.

HONOLULU FORTIFICATIONS.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 23.—Major Langitt, in charge of the Third Battalion of the Second Regiment of United States Volunteer Engineers, has been ordered by General Merriam to make surveys for the proposed fortifications of the harbor at Honolulu.

FIGHTING IN CUBA.

MADRID, July 24, 10 a. m.—A telegram from Havana reports that the insurgents attacked Gibara, on the north coast of the Province of Santiago de Cuba, and the garrison, after a severe fight, evacuated the place. Many of the insurgents were killed. The dispatch also reports that a force of Americans landed and invested Tomas de Zaza, and the war ships shelled Galamaco.

TO ATTACK MANILA.

LONDON, July 25.—A special dispatch from Madrid says that General Augusti, Captain General of the Philippines, has telegraphed to the Government as follows: "The Americans are about to attack Manila. Grave events are impending."

ISLAND OF YAP.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—It is learned that Admiral Dewey in a recent dispatch to Washington stated that the inhabitants of the Philippines are better able to govern themselves than the Cubans. It is said that the Monterey has seized the island of Yap, Caroline Islands, by this time if her commander followed the instructions of the Government authorities.

GERMANY FRIENDLY.

LONDON, July 25.—The Berlin correspondent of the Daily News says: "According to a dispatch from Washington the interview between President McKinley and the German Ambassador, Dr. von Holleben, was very cordial, the latter assuring the President of the friendly feeling of Emperor William and Germany toward the United States."

IN OLD MADRID.

NEW YORK, July 25.—A cable to the Tribune from Madrid, July 24, says: The situation is far more critical than at any previous time since the war began. Not a day passes without the Emperor of Austria exerting his strong personal influence with the Queen Regent, urging her to make peace at once, no matter at what sacrifice; for in his opinion the only salvation of the dynasty depends upon her ability to do so. The disaffection of the army increases day by day. Officers of every grade accuse the Ministry of incapacity in conducting the war, and charge them above all with criminal neglect in failing to supply the Santiago garrison with food and ammunition.

MILD YELLOW FEVER.

WASHINGTON, July 24.—A dispatch received tonight by Adjutant General Corbin says that 26 new cases of fever of all classes were reported in the camp before Santiago yesterday. As the same dispatch from Madrid, July 24, says: "The situation is far more critical than at any previous time since the war began. Not a day passes without the Emperor of Austria exerting his strong personal influence with the Queen Regent, urging her to make peace at once, no matter at what sacrifice; for in his opinion the only salvation of the dynasty depends upon her ability to do so. The disaffection of the army increases day by day. Officers of every grade accuse the Ministry of incapacity in conducting the war, and charge them above all with criminal neglect in failing to supply the Santiago garrison with food and ammunition."

CAVITE, JUNE 20.—The Filipinos in revolt against Spain formally declared their independence and proclaimed a dictatorial Provisional Government at Cavite on the afternoon of Sunday, June 20th. Emilio Aguinaldo is President.

WILL RESIST MILES.

ST. THOMAS, July 23.—The Spaniards of San Juan de Porto Rico are making extensive preparations to resist an anticipated attack on the part of the United States war ships, which are understood to be conveying the army of invasion commanded by General Miles.

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- Gents' Linen Collars.....\$1.00 dozen
- Ladies' Ribbed Undervests.....30c. each
- Ladies' Gauze.....25c. each
- Fans.....25c. each
- Ladies' Umbrellas.....75c. each
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- White Woolen Sweaters.....\$1.50 each
- Dress Shields.....10c. pair
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- Gents' Crepe Shirts.....40c. each
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