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PEACE MUST REIGN.

The war situation is of a most complicated nature. The Czar of Russia has gathered his fleets as near to Constantinople as can be done without a declaration of war. He has ordered the armies of Bulgaria, Serbia and Roumania to be mobilized and has pushed several hundred of thousands of men to the frontiers ready to "persuade" the Sultan to listen to common sense. When ready with his preliminary preparations he sat down and wrote a letter to the Sultan, in which he asks his "Imperial Majesty," for whom the white Czar always has held a supervirtuous consideration and love, to use moderation in the "dispute" with Greece and adopt the suggestions of Russia.

The unspeakable Turk looked at the Russian navy and the armies, and realized the points of the claws in the paws of the Russian bear. And Turkey submitted and the Sultan wrote to the Czar, expressing his love and goodwill, and consented to do everything that His White Imperial Majesty should desire, and by the next steamer we will most likely learn that the Turkish-Greek war is ended, thanks to the "peace maker" of Russia.

SAVE THE TREATY.

The news brought by the Alameda are not very encouraging to the sugar planters. Annexation is as a matter of course as dead as the proverbial door nail. The reciprocity treaty may survive but will be modified in a way very unpleasant to the men who have wallowed in enormous dividends and for years sucked the juice of the Hawaiian orange, never considering how and where to replace the orange which furnishes the juice of the soil or preserving the goose which lays the golden eggs and which was reared by Kalakaua. The Queen is still in Washington and her presence there has been a death blow to the shortsighted advisers of Mr. Dole. Her dignified attitude; her intelligent answers to the people she meets, in regard to Hawaiian affairs, have proved efficiently that she is not the heathen that Judd & Co. try to make her out to be, but that she is the perfect gentlewoman whose company and friendship for years were appreciated and sought by Mr. Judd and his family.

Ka Ahailono o Hawaii.

The name of the new Hawaiian weekly newspaper, under the auspices of the Hui Kalaiaina and published at the Makaiinana Printing House, will be the Ka Ahailono o Hawaii, or the Hawaiian Herald. The new venture under the control of Messrs. White and Pua, should indeed be a White-Flower of journalism, although the genial "Sam" could change the euphony by adding another terminal vowel to his name.

Fresh Fruits To-day.

By the Alameda the California Fruit Market, Telephone 378, received luscious fresh cherries, black and white, apricots, red currants, gooseberries, asparagus, celery, rhubarb, cauliflower, apples, potatoes (new), onions, salmon and oysters; all in splendid condition. Telephone 378.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Dr. E. Guilmet of Saint Gilles, near Brussels, desires copies of all the newspapers published in the Hawaiian Islands. Here is an opportunity for our contemporaries to be charitable and pay the postage on their wares.

Ambassador Horace Porter was compelled to speak French to President Faure on presentation of his credentials. We presume President Dole will require Minister Sewall, to whom welcome, to address him in Hawaiian, and to have his letters of credence translated into our national language.

Nearly another serious bicycle accident yesterday through a nefarious habit. An elderly gentleman, with his arm in a sling, stepped off a street car only to be received by a bicycle between his legs ridden by a young lady who had attached her cycle to the car. The amiable young creature and the gallant gentleman nearly fell under the car wheels. When is this sort of thing to be put on end to.

THE TREATY.

The Senate Bill and Hawaiian Sugar.

WASHINGTON, (D. C.), May 25.—With three speeches setting forth the various phases of the question the tariff bill was to-day launched on its fourth stage. Many suggestions are taken from the address of Senator Aldrich, but one point which is of great interest to the Pacific Coast is the reference to the Hawaiian treaty.

When the Senator said that the committee would later frame a substitute for the reciprocity treaty now in operation he gave notice practically that an effort would be made to apply a two-thirds duty to Hawaiian sugar on the lines proposed by Senator Perkins in the present bill.

On this there will be a most bitter fight, for the New England Senators, who have always stood up for Hawaii, have served notice in caucus that they will not give in until there has been a party declaration against them.

There was a disposition on the part of Frye to continue the fight on the floor, but it was shown that any such move would endanger the safety of the whole bill.

While there were two new propositions put before the Senate in the shape of Pettigrew's trust amendment and Cannon's agricultural export bounty, the most important of the main propositions is yet to be submitted. The general reciprocity clause is held back. This clause differs in one or two important particulars from the similar clause of the McKinley law. The first portion places a weapon in the hands of the President by which he can increase duties 25 percent on goods from any country which charges us any greater duty than is charged other countries.

This will apply to Cuba, where Spain charges to the United States \$4.16 a barrel on flour and herself only 88 cents. The provisions of the clause could be applied without serious friction, but the burden of duty would be sufficient to bring the country to terms. The first part of the clause prevents discrimination; the second encourages preferential duties and fosters export trade by enabling the President to concede a discount of 25 percent on products of such countries as give us these advantages. It is expected to be a powerful factor in encouraging exports.

One objection to the reciprocity clause has been that the President might seriously diminish the values. Under the proposed clause the revenue will not be affected. Countries which refuse reciprocity will have to pay for it, while those with preferential duties will take a larger amount of our products.

At a caucus of the Republican members of the Finance Committee to-night Perkins submitted an argument for the retention of the Senate bill rates of duty on borax and soda, and it was decided that no change would be made. He also made a

strong plea for replacing the duty on olive oil at the House bill rate of 50 cents a gallon, a reduction being made in the Senate bill to 35 cents.

The committee will meet every night and Perkins will meet with it to protect California items. He says he has hopes of keeping every one at the present figures desired.

Japan and Hawaii

MONTREAL, May 26.—Marquis Ito, in an interview to-day, said that the talk in the United States about the desire of Japan to annex Hawaii is foolish. "Japan would not have Hawaii," he said, "if it could be had for the asking."

TONIGHT

CRICKET CLUB SMOKER.

The Honolulu Cricket Club will give its fourth smoker in the American League Hall, corner King and Nuuanu streets, THURSDAY EVENING, June 3, at 8 o'clock. Tickets, \$1.00, to had of the members and at the music stores. 597-5t

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Honolulu, 27th May, 1897.
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THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BEEN duly appointed Administrator of the Estate of Hana Kukona, w/o Honolulu, Oahu, deceased. Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the deceased to present their claims whether secured by Mortgage, or otherwise duly authenticated and with the proper vouchers, if any exist, to the undersigned within six months from the date hereof, or they will be forever barred; and all persons indebted to the dead deceased are requested to make immediate payment at the office of S. K. KANE, corner of King and Bethel Streets, upstairs. Administrator of the Estate of Hana Kukona [w], deceased.
Honolulu, May 24, 1897. 595-5t oaw

Timely Topics.

Honolulu, May 29, 1897.

FRUIT THATS OVER-RIPE

is hardly worth the picking, and even when it is in its prime it requires delicate handling lest the beautiful bloom upon it be tarnished by indelicate hands. We are not in the garden of Hesperides where the gods would pelt us with golden apples, but we are here in another fruit paradise where we can gather the fruit in a prettily designed lotus leaf shaped WIRE FRUIT PICKER, absolutely uninjured. Try it for 50 cents and when you are tired of it turn it into a flower basket.

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