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### THE BOARD OF HEALTH.

Our legislators have given to the country a body known as the Board of Health into the hands of which great powers have been placed. When the Board of Health oversteps its power and takes upon itself the right to check the civil authorities, to drive the police out of the city and virtually to declare martial law, it is time to call a halt.

The official organ blames a soldier employed by the Board of Health for allowing himself to be arrested by a police officer who has proven that the man had committed a misdemeanor. We will blame the Marshal if he does not uphold his officer, because the civil authorities rule supreme here and every servant of the Board of Health, be he in the uniform of a N. G. H. or in citizens clothes is amenable to our civil authorities.

The Board of Health has got the swelled head and it is about time that the members are furnished with iced bandages for their upper "stories." We will not criticize the plague fake because we think it is wiser to be over cautious than neglectful. We regret the enormous loss to trade and the great disappointment to people here and on the other islands which will result during the holiday through the scare. But while we support the Board of Health and its gun carrying supporters, we insist in seeing the authority of the Marshal upheld and we decidedly think that Attorney General H. E. Cooper is making an intolerable fool of himself when he allows H. E. Cooper, President of the Board of Health, to interfere with the plain duties of the police. If a murder is committed in the quarantined districts, or a fight should occur, even the Marshal would not be allowed to enter the sacred circle and do his duty.

No man here has the right to declare martial law and deprive the civil government of its authority and it seems to us a very dangerous experiment to play on the citizens of Japan and other foreigners. The part of the town under quarantine shows a condition which is a disgrace to the Board of Health. We fully agree with the official organ that there is great opportunities to reforming the board. The first step should be to place a practical business man at the head of the bureau, to fire out the medical men or rather use them for consulting purposes on medical questions only, and then go to work in a systematic way to cleanse the country.

If one man with his clerks can carry out the business of the Interior Department and another man can do the same in the Finance Office, we see no reason why one intelligent and capable man should not be able to attend to all the business within the province of

the Board of Health. The reports of volunteer inspectors, the whole plague business indeed show a very sad state of affairs in the present system of the Board of Health management.

### HAUNTED.

A rickety, woe be-gone, old house,  
Dusty and musty silent and gray;  
Loose and broken in many a joint,  
And rapidly going to decay;  
A mark for the finger of scorn to point  
And say: *There's a place has had its day!*

But, the roses still clamber over the walls,  
The busy bees are making their call;  
Regal lilies hold cups for the rain-drops' fall,  
And the stalling builds in the tree-tops tall,  
While rich sunshine floods, those empty halls.

It was the pride of the country-side,  
Seventy years ago,  
When the squire led home his sweet girl-bride,  
Seventy years ago.

It is naught, to-day, but the haunted place,  
And children run by with white-scared face—  
Whispering together of bogies there—  
Of a lady in white going up to the stairs,  
Of a blind child, in the path at night,  
And many more as wonderful sight.  
The story of this home all mystery,  
Its sacrament of sorrow well hid;  
Not a villager can tell the history  
Of this haunted place, when bid.

Roses, now blossoming on the walls,  
Lilies reach cups for the rain-drops fall;  
The happy bees come, making long calls,  
Birds build their nests in those tree-tops tall,  
While rich sunshine fills, the empty halls.

It was the pride of the country-side,  
Seventy years ago,  
When the squire led home a sweet girl-bride  
Seventy years ago.

ANNE M. PRESCOTT.

"Makapala by-the-sea."

Faust on Tuesday

On Tuesday evening, Dec. 19, the Boston Lyric Opera Company will begin their farewell performances and will present on this occasion the beautiful opera Faust with Mrs. Annis Montague Turner as Marguerite. There has been a large sale of seats and there is no doubt but the Opera House will be crowded to its utmost capacity. As an extra attraction on Faust and as a compliment to Mrs. Turner and the Boston Lyric Opera Co., Minister Mott Smith has consented to allow the entire Hawaiian Band to take part in the 4th Act the presentation of which will bring about 70 people on stage and which will surely show a scene, the like of which has never before long seen on a stage in Honolulu, and one that will make a profound sensation.

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