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MOST HARROWING AND HEART-RENDING.

That most cruel and inhuman treatment ever accorded to a man held as an inmate of a lazaretto, which was recorded and exposed solely by The Independent in its issue of last evening, seems to be unpardonable, to say the least, horrible beyond compare, and abominable beneath all reason. And it is not unreasonable to think how such neglectfulness occurred; but what has happened cannot be recalled.

"A man is a man for all that," even if he was a native and a leper patient. It was no fault of his that he was a native born kanaka upon whom the scourge of leprosy had taken hold, but he should have had decent treatment, good care, comfortable quarters and watchful attendance. The occurrences really heartrending.

But not so in our exposure. The man was merely left to die the death of a menial, a pauper, and worse even than they, a victim of official neglect and carelessness—murdered! He very much lacked proper care, nourishment and vigilance. The death of a condemned and hardened criminal, whether by hanging or otherwise, was even better than the one recorded herein, and it is a shame upon our much vaunted Christianity.

No stone should be left unturned. Everything possible should be done by the authorities to bring the guilty officials to the bar of justice, and if need be to due punishment. Every nook and corner should be looked into and sought for evidence sufficient to condemn and convict those who are guilty of this infraction of humanitarian principles, and it is the least that could be done by the authorities.

For precedence to humanity there is none. Many another might have received like treatment, but there is no record. And this is only one instance of how innocent, and even if guilty, natives are treated. This is an instance, one of many, why natives dread deportation away from friends, after affliction and condemnation for leprosy, and we deem it a very good reason, too.

Remember, ye Americans, and others of all shades, the leprous one was

only a kanaka, but a man nevertheless, like yourselves. Up in your wrath and with all your might condemn such utter neglectfulness and official disregard of one whose only fault may have been his being "colored."

Such palpable conduct is reprehensible to the utmost degree, and is enough to rouse the horror and the ire of anyone, be he white, yellow, black or brown. Public indignation should be at once aroused to demand that immediate justice be done, be the guilty parties white or brown (haole or kanaka).

All well-thinking persons must lay the blame with the Board of Health. It is for them to be up and doing. Gentlemen, clear your skirts of this stigma, which will stench the whole country from end to end through the medium of The Independent.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Probably the policy of the Board of Health is that "no native need apply," which is borne out by its actions at its meetings and otherwise. Natives are, as a general rule, to the present members thereof, damnable and non est.

Should Governor Dole stick his fingers in the Chinese petition for relief in the fire claims matter, he evidently will gain an American unpopularity; but if he holds himself aloof and away from any contact with the matter, public sentiment may somewhat be with him for once. Otherwise he should not be mixed up with it and ought not to play with its burning firebrands. Remember the Maine fund. Beware!

We would be more than surprised to see that Bishop Nichols is to stay, as reported, when he arrives here, with an avowed sympathizer of one who is achismatically ostracised from the church, by identification or otherwise. By all means we hope this American prelate will not do so, but should stay at some public place. He ought not to be at all mixed, neither one way nor the other, but must stay independently free.

It is reported that the alleged new member of the Board of Health is the nominee of a member thereof, who feels that he can be made more pliable to unanimity against all odds as may be desired of him, of course, the Governor being most willing thereto, all others not being acceptable, neither probable nor possible. Kanakas are no good anyway nor anyhow. They were never of any use, unless it is only to gain their votes at election time, but it is hoped they will not soon forgive nor forget.

Stubbornness and assninity, the two together, seem to have been born with the person now holding the executive post of this new American Territory, a condition unsought for by the Hawaiian people, the true-born sons of the soil. Had he called an extra session of the Legislature there would then have been no necessity to either pledge or vouch for and on behalf of the government towards the redemption of any unlawful obligation intended to be made towards public well-being and betterment. Better that the devil and his partner look after their own interests and the people after theirs.

The Independent would advise its Home Rule friends, although unsought for, that in politics at the present they must learn to give and take, drowning all feelings and prejudices, and have good men elected. If their

own ranks are lacking, there is no harm, to our way of thinking, to choose from amongst the others. Obliterate color and class, bearing in mind those who threw you down, destroyed, belittled, vilified and insulted you. "Unity and harmony" should be your watchword. Don't ever forget the past, for we don't believe in letting bygones be bygones.

The Independent would again call the attention of the authorities to the rate of speed of the Rapid Transit cars. They travel too speedy within the limits to make it comfortable for pedestrians and carriages. From our own limited knowledge of speedy matters, we believe the cars travel at a thirty mile rate of speed, and if not, more. Some curtailment should be made and regulations made by the Government, and if not so done, the next Legislature, which will no doubt be again mostly composed of "colored" members, ought to be called upon to attend to it, and the sooner it is done and attended to, the better for all concerned.

Now that the Star has come out with an interview with Bishop Willis, wherein our Bishop says that he has "actually had no official notice of Bishop Nichols' coming, except what we have all seen in the papers." It is strange conduct to us to think that no official notice has been forwarded to the one in authority here, either from the one in authority in church matters in the United States or from the coming prelate. This is entirely an American nature new to us, and is a conduct unbecoming among leading men and supposed gentlemen, and we deem it, from our humble way of thinking, as being very reprehensible and contemptible. Such treatment and lack of courtesy shows the breeding, and evidently no doubt shows the innate feeling of some American people in certain quarters against the English, a spirit very lacking in that of union, harmony and cohesion in matters pertaining to that of Christianity, both being, as in this case, of one and the same church.

A white man, be he native born or not, will always be a white man and will stay so. He naturally would feel as one, his associates being mostly of his kind, and he would have no feeling toward a true native, as a real native would have for his own kind, knowing them, feeling like them and thinking as they do. A white native can only feel as they do by association, but otherwise never. Mr. Governor, this is not yet entirely a white man's country. Of course The Independent feels that the whites will always favor the whites, and while enjoying power will always feel very strongly and rightly and supremely so. We attach no blame to anyone for being so and what he is. But to have one, although a friend in a sense to the natives, is to follow in the line of the "rub-it-in" policy. We feel that a white man is uncomfortable to be in the company of a native man, but may be very pleasant and enjoyable otherwise when "color" counts for naught. Of course there are exceptions.

The Independent would wager that Bishop Willis would, on the first of April, "take up his roots" as far as the Episcopate is concerned. Come on, now, Star and Advertiser, the both together—are ye ready to gamble? Had the treatment accorded to our Bishop by the American Bishops, recently made known in Bishop Willis' open letter, been known prior to the contemplated annexation of the church, it is safe to say that no such a course would have come about, and that this Diocese would have stayed independent in spite of the American

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