

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS.

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This is retreat week in the Catholic church.

The grand jury has continued its sessions to Wednesday.

H W Kinney and Miss Helen K Kahalehu are engaged.

The Italian warship Elbe arrived in port early yesterday morning.

A concert will be given by the band at Emma Square this evening.

The bark Olympia arrived late Saturday, twenty days from San Francisco.

The Iwalani lost a boat and thirty-six bags of sugar in rough weather at Honokaa.

The motion for a recount of the election ballots will be filed tomorrow or the next day.

Kauai won the final game of polo with Oahu on Saturday by a score of 4 1 4 against 2 3 4.

Punahou and Kamehameha girls will play a basket ball match this afternoon at 4:30 o'clock.

The H A C team won from the Artillery eleven at football Saturday by the big score of 29 to 0.

The Kinau left the following sugar on Hawaii: Honokaa, 5,000; Punaluu, 2,100; Honoaape, 3,227.

A track switch has been installed by the Rapid Transit Company on Fort street opposite Chaplain lane.

The bark Edward May sailed from Makaweli last Friday for San Francisco with 2,100 bags of sugar.

Officers of the Italian ship Elbe report that the Piemont, a cruiser, will shortly call here on her way to the Coast.

All the remaining members of the army board, now visiting the Islands, returned yesterday from Hawaii and Maui.

Officers and men of the German training ship now here attended services in the German Lutheran church yesterday.

Kiawe, a man charged with murdering his wife was brought to Honolulu yesterday from Maui for safe keeping in Oahu prison.

The company of marines ordered here to take charge of the naval station will be in charge of Major Callio, of the marine corps.

The following cargo was brought by the Kinau on Saturday: 20 cords woods, 24 kegs, 8 brls bottles, 7 bogs, 1 horse, 187 pkg sundries.

The Oahu polo team will give a reception and dance at the Young hotel this evening in honor of the Kauai players now here.

There was a rush at the tax office today to pay personal and income assessments, the extra levy of ten per cent going on tomorrow.

This is the birth anniversary of the late King Kalakaua. In honor of the event the usual test of yacht models is being carried out in the bay.

Captain Rodman has prepared a list of light houses required for the Islands which will be submitted to the Navy Department for its approval.

Consul and Mrs H A Isenberg entertained the officers and men of the German training ship, now here, at their home yesterday afternoon and evening.

F M Bechtel, immigrant inspector, returned yesterday from Kauai where he had gone to look any newcomers that may be subjects for deportation under the new law.

A luau and sale was held at the residence of Mr and Mrs Manuel Reis on Saturday as a kind of aftermath of the Maternity Home affair, the proceeds going to the home.

The report of Henry C Meyers, deputy auditor, on the accounts of L R Crook, clerk of the Maui circuit court, completely exonerates the latter gentleman from any blame as to the condition of his books.

CORRESPONDENCE.

Taxes Too High.

ED. THE INDEPENDENT:

It is to be hoped that the new tax assessor for Honolulu, will display a little sense and judgment in taxing property. As in the past, property has been taxed out of reason, and at times, twice what it's worth. It seems too that the poor man is singled out, and made to pay far more than his property is worth, while the rich man too often gets off, almost, scott free. Now this state of things wants looking into, as it acts as a barrier to poor men getting property, and keep many men from investing in property in Honolulu.

The writer has a little property there, which is taxed for 25 per cent more than its cost, and 50 per cent more than he could get for it. And this, I presume, is the way all the poor men are treated, who have by hard struggles, and self-denial, got a little home of their own.

It may be said that one always has a chance to appeal; but that is too costly a process for poor men, and consequently, he has to grin and bear it. This same method of taxation also applies to the other islands, and we want something done about it, or to know the reason why.

TAXPAYER.
Hilo, Hawaii, Nov 12, 1903.

Teachers Meeting.

Following is the program for the meeting of the Territorial Teachers Association, to be held at the High School this evening:

Music—Kamehameha Glee Club.
Responsibility of the Schools for Civil Integrity and Efficiency—Dr Mary Roberts Smith, Assistant Professor of Sociology, Stanford University.

Topics in Municipal Government for Study in Elementary Grades—Miss Alice King, High School.

What the Schools Can Do in the Anti Mosquito Campaign—D L Van Dine, Government Entomologist.

Music—Violin Quartet—Mrs Lull, Mrs Howard, Miss Hall and Miss Koepke.

Report of the Meeting of the N E A at Boston—Principal Charles B Dyke, Kamehameha Schools.
General Discussion and Business.

Passengers Arrived.

Per bark Olympic, from San Francisco, Nov 14—Fred Harrison, Jr.

Per stmr Kaiulani, from Molokai, Nov 14—Father Thomas.

Per stmr W G Hall, from Nawiliwili, Nov 15—J I Silva, M A Rego, M Fernandez, Father Emelsson, C O Henion, H A Jaeger, E Delacey, H A Kinney, Father Adelbert, F Crawford, J J Sullivan, R Muller, Dr Katsamura, F M Bechtel, E Creamer, Miss L Lepenz.

Per stmr Maui, from Maui, Nov 15—Tsuchiams, Ah Young, Ah Sing, Ah Look, J K Hanuua, H Myhre, W von Seggern and child, S E Kellinui, Father Julian, M J Freitas, Tang Wong, Major Henry Moor, Capt W H Read, Rev G L Pearson, H B Penhallow and wife, Mr Feplowsky and wife, C W Dickey, Lory Thomas, A J Gomes, M Abeong, H A Isenberg, W Plotenhauer, Mr Quisenberry, H C Meyers, J W Robertson, F J Cross, J M Coulson, Geo Freeland, A Aalberg, G Dalling, Mrs M K Keshokalole, Paug See, T S Choy, Miss Keau, P T Phillips, A M Keshokalole.

Today, the anniversary of the late King Kalakaua's birthday, the Kapioalani Estate, Limited, held a house warming of its new and commodious building at the corner of King and Alakea streets. A sumptuous lunch was served after noon today to a few invited guests, and many toasts and speeches were offered.

Miniature yacht races were on this forenoon and well into this afternoon in commemoration of King Kalakaua's natal day. After the races, a luau, at which the awards and prizes will be made, will be given the participants this afternoon out at Pualani, Waikiki, as is the usual annual custom.

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