

**NEW PLACE OF WORSHIP**

Opening of the First Methodist Church of Honolulu.

**LIFE SKETCH OF THE PASTOR.**

First Movement of Methodism—Description of the Edifice—Rev. Peck's Determined Efforts—Officers of the Church—Sermon Sunday Morning.

(From Monday's Daily.)

The opening of the Methodist Episcopal Church, at the corner of Beretania and Miller streets, yesterday, marks an era in religious circles in Honolulu. With the progress in Ha-



REV. HARCOURT W. PECK, PASTOR OF THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH OF HONOLULU.

wai, the changes which are taking place in the churches, or rather the increase in the number of church edifices, is noticeable particularly to those of the older residents who have been accustomed to uniting with other Protestant denominations and meeting for worship in one grand building.

The congregation of the Christian Church was the first to break the uniformity of worship and erect a church on Alakea street.

In October, 1894, a handful of Methodists, who had been faithful attendants at the Central Union Church, met for prayer at the residence of W. G. Needham, Superintendent of the Reform School, and on the 14th day of the same month they assembled in the hall at the corner of Fort and Hotel streets and listened to an eloquent sermon by the Rev. Harcourt W. Peck, a young man and a dyed-in-the-wool Methodist.

The advancement of that particular branch of religion in Hawaii had its inception in Mr. Needham's parlors, but its growth may be attributed to the never-ceasing efforts of H. W. Peck. On November 4, 1894, the First Methodist Church of Honolulu was organized with eleven members on the roll, and it has grown steadily since then. The sermons preached by Mr. Peck show earnestness in the cause of religion, and in them he has called upon his hearers to stand firm in the cause of right. He has gathered about him men who desire to see Methodism grow here as it has elsewhere.

Being, in a measure, apart from the organization in the United States, it gets none of the benefits derived by the congregations there from the Church Extension Society, and must, therefore, depend upon the liberality of the members of the congregation for its support. Considering the length of time the church has been in existence in Honolulu, the result should be gratifying to the pastor, for it shows that his efforts have not been thrown away. On January of last year the church became a beneficiary under the will of the late Father Dimond, to the amount of \$1,000. This sum was the nucleus of the amount necessary to purchase a lot on which a church, large enough to accommodate the rapidly increasing congregation, could be built. A few months ago the trustees secured the lot at the corner of Beretania and Miller streets, known as the Wall premises, for \$10,000; but being short of the required amount, a member of the church, by his generosity, enabled them to purchase it and erect the chapel in which the services were held yesterday for the first time.

The congregation numbers fifty-five members including probationers, twenty-three having joined since December 1st. The Sunday School, of which C. B. Ripley is superintendent, has a membership of sixty. The trustees are: Henry Waterhouse, chairman; C. B. Ripley, secretary; H. S. Tregloan, treasurer; F. G. Douse, Theodore Richards, Mark G. Johnson and C. V. Sturdevant.

The pastor, Harcourt W. Peck, was born in Canada, near the Thousand Islands, on March 16, 1861, and attended the district schools until he was old enough to enter the Methodist University at Toronto, from which institution he was graduated, taking the degrees of B. A. and M. A. He afterward took two degrees at the National School of Oratory in Philadelphia. After finishing his education Mr. Peck joined his brother, who was a manufacturer of steam pumps, and when the Indian and Colonial Exhibition opened in London, England, in 1886, he represented him there. In 1887 he returned to the university in Toronto and took the B. S. degree. He is now devoting his spare moments to studying for the B. D. course. In 1888 he came to the Hawaiian Islands as vice-principal of the Royal School. For three years he was chairman of the devotional committee, and in 1891 succeeded Mr. Fuller as Secretary of the Y. M. C. A. Two years later he accepted the professorship of New Testament, Exegesis and Literature in Columbia College, New

York. He came out of great tribulations and have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the lamb." The sermon was an eloquent one, and appealed to those in the congregation who had doubts as to the outcome of the battle that was being fought by Christians in this latter end of the Nineteenth century. He said that all nations would stand before God when the day of reckoning came; the multitude would be there, and when the question was asked, as in the text, it would be answered in the same way. They were on a winning course and on the victorious side, and when the time came for them to lay down their lives, men might scoff, but every kind act and every word would be recorded before God. Christ died for the world, but he died for them one by one.

Space will not permit a full report of the sermon, though it was one of the best ever delivered by the eloquent speaker. He held his hearers in close attention until the close.

**NEW PICTURE OF VOLCANO**

Artist Howard Hitchcock Considers it the Best Painted by Him.

Will be Placed on Exhibition Here and Probably Sent to San Francisco—Interview.

A representative of this paper visited the studio of D. Howard Hitchcock yesterday and found the artist at work putting the finishing touches on a large painting of the Volcano. In the course of the visit Mr. Hitchcock discoursed pleasantly upon the picture as follows: "I consider this the best representation of the Volcano I have yet produced. Into it has been put all the knowledge of the subject it has taken me years to acquire.

"You see, it shows the fire-lake by daylight, with a strong sunlight effect that, to my mind, enhances rather than detracts from the force of the fire, which must be strong in nature to show at all under such conditions.

"It was an interesting color problem. The depth of the pit helped its solution, and the result is still true to nature.

"Another interesting problem was that of the perspective—to represent a hole in the earth. Poor Tavenier used to say, 'You cannot paint the hole in the ground.' The fact is, you can approximate it, as I believe this canvas shows.

"The blue masses of vapor are not always present during the greatest activity of the Volcano, but they have been present ever since the breakdown, in '94.

"As I understand it, the same conditions now hold, so this picture may rightly be said to represent the lake as it now appears—with the fire perhaps at a slightly greater elevation in the pit.

"The depth represented is about 600 feet, from the highest point to the surface of molten lava beneath the smoke.

"When I was there in '94 the white vapor was rising, as shown, from under the right-hand ledge. The blue-sulphur vapor was coming out from all sides, making it a delicate question as to the point of approach to the brink."

Probably this painting will be sent to San Francisco for exhibition. It will be placed on public exhibition in Honolulu before it is sent away, as people here are thoroughly interested in the greatest volcano on earth, and will

the vapor floating away over them in the prevailing winds, the delicate cloud effects above the stretches of picturesque country in the distance, all go to make up a scene of rare excellence which must bring home to Hawaii's favorite artist a sense of satisfaction at the thought of so successful an effort.

**Reception to Consul Schaefer.**

His Royal Highness Prince Luigi di Savoia and officers of the Cristoforo Colombo tendered a delightful reception to Consul and Mrs. Schaefer and several lady friends aboard the corvette, between 4 and 6 p.m. Saturday. Dancing was indulged in and light refreshments served. The Kawaihau Club was present and delighted the Italian officers by the sweet Hawaiian music which the boys know so well how to render, both vocal and instrumental.

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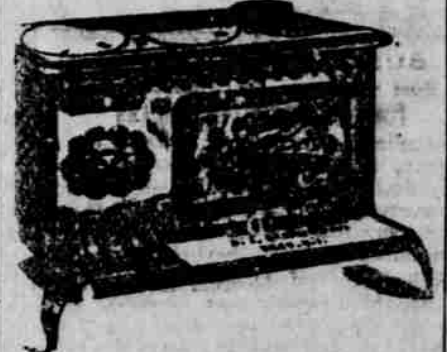
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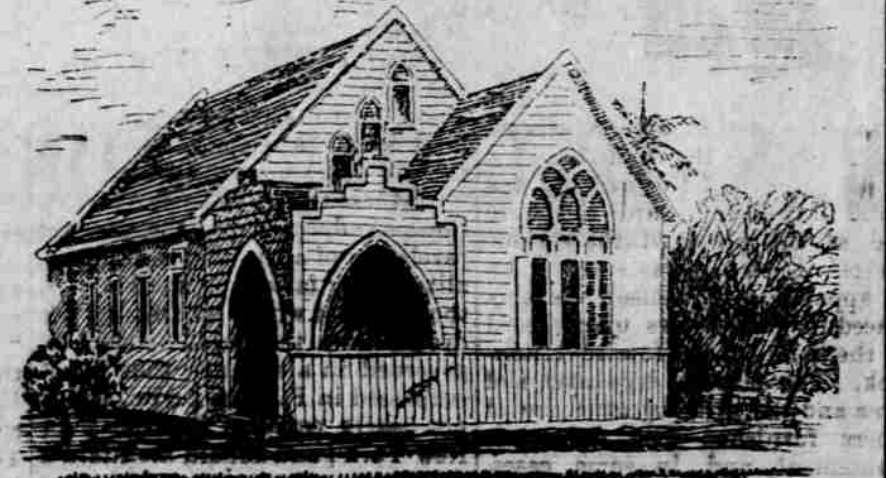
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THE FIRST METHODIST CHURCH OF HONOLULU, CORNER BERETANIA AND MILLER STREETS, WHICH WAS OPENED FOR SERVICE SUNDAY MORNING.

at having with them two men (Revs. Bishop and Bingham) who had fought in the Lord's cause for so many years. It was not, strictly, a Methodist meeting—they had gathered as children of the King, and the little body might some day become great; they would be the nucleus of everything and everybody that is wrong. He expressed gratitude to those true friends who had so generously assisted in building a church that would be used in spreading God's kingdom, rather than in advancing Methodism. He wished, however, to thank Mother Parker for the gift of a bible brought here in 1833 and used for forty years on the desk at the old lyceum on Nuuanu street. That bible will be used on the pulpit in the new church for many years to come.

The pastor selected for his text the 7th chapter of Revelations, last clause in the 14th verse, "These are they who

be glad of the opportunity of seeing such an excellent representation of it. Certainly Mr. Hitchcock's latest painting of the crater of Kilaua and country surrounding it is masterly, and far exceeds all other efforts made by him. There is one point that stands out prominently, and that is the care taken to show just enough of the bubbling, angry lava. The mistake in the past has been that the pictures have shown too much of this and too little of the surroundings. This has been done time and time again, and the impression has gone abroad with the picture—that an attempt has been made to exaggerate the real state of affairs, so certain artists have concluded there is a temptation to do. Mr. Hitchcock's paintings also play on the imagination, and at the same time give a true representation of the awful yawning cavity in the earth holding the hot, molten lava. The cliffs of lava surrounding and

