

LOCAL ITEMS.

A. Louison is in the city.
 Dr. Fitzgerald was in the city this week.
 G. H. Gere returned by the Kinau Wednesday.
 H. B. Gehr arrived in the city Wednesday on business.
 A. B. Loebenstein returned to Hilo by the Kinau Wednesday.
 C. F. Eckhart, of the Planters' Experiment station is in the city.
 L. M. Whitehouse came up from Honolulu Wednesday on business.
 W. L. Stanley of Honolulu came up by the Kinau this week on business.
 Mr. and Mrs. Henry Iren of Mountain View were in the city Wednesday.
 Dr. J. J. Grace was made an American citizen by Judge Little Wednesday.
 There will be a musical concert at the Salvation Army hall tomorrow night.
 Mr. Drake, of the Internal Revenue Office, is in the city on one of his regular tours.
 Mrs. W. H. Lambert and daughter returned by the Santiago from San Francisco.
 F. L. Winter, Deputy U. S. Marshal, came up from Honolulu by the Kinau this week.
 W. S. Terry returned by the Kinau from a trip to Kona, where he bought a lot of fine coffee.
 E. E. Wilson arrived by the Santiago from the Mainland and will make Hilo his permanent home.
 Mrs. F. W. Swanzy and Miss Swanzy were among the passengers arriving by the Kinau this week.
 Bishop Libert of the Catholic Church is now visiting Kona. The Bishop will visit Hilo next month.
 W. H. Little goes by the Kinau today and will take the Sierra for San Francisco, leaving Honolulu December 15th.
 An accident in the home of E. D. Baldwin one day this week caused a breakage of over \$100 worth of rare cut glass.
 Mrs. John Taylor and Mrs. John F. Spinola of Honolulu have been visiting in the city, the latter returning to Honolulu today.
 The management of the races New Year's day have secured the services of the Hilo band to play at the park while the races are on.
 Mrs. Robert Horner of Hamakua, spent several days in the city this week and last and while here was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Moses.
 I. E. Ray has removed his law offices from lower Waianuene street to the rooms opposite the Court House formerly occupied by Dr. R. H. Keid.
 Dr. J. B. Faria the well known Portuguese physician of Honolulu will visit Hilo next week. It is said the Dr. will install a Portuguese lodge here.
 Frank Richards, engineer at the Pahala mill was seriously hurt at Punaluu, a box of some 200 lbs weight falling on him. He is recovering slowly.
 J. C. Axtell this week installed a new ornamental iron fence around the Chalmers-Gregg plot in the cemetery. He also set up a handsome monument on the same lot.
 The Catholic Ladies Aid Society met last Monday at the Sister's School. A number of new members were admitted. The society is progressing and already aiding the city's poor.
 A concert and cantata will be given at Papaikou school Friday evening, December 18, under the direction of Wm. McCusky, the teacher. The proceeds will go to the purchase of books for the school library. There will be music by talent from Hilo.
 The Kilmer Quartette will give a concert at Puna Saturday evening, December 19 for the benefit of the Puna church. The quartette is composed of Messrs. W. H. Beers, Geo. Manu, Joe Kalaina and Edw. Namohala, with Miss Lyman as organist. After the first of the year these musicians will make a tour through Hamakua.

NEW PASTOR ARRIVES.

Rev. Curtis E. Shields Will Preach Sunday Morning.
 Rev. Curtis E. Shields, Mrs. Shields and two year old daughter arrived from San Francisco by the Santiago Wednesday. They came to Hilo in response to a call from the First Foreign Church and the first service under the pastorate of Mr. Shields will be next Sunday morning. For a few days the new pastor and his family will be at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. N. Holmes.
 Both Mr. and Mrs. Shields are Ohians and were class mates in Wooster University of that state, graduating in 1895. In 1900 Mr. Shields finished his theological studies at Lane Seminary, Cincinnati and has been in the active ministry a little more than three years.
 With one day's observation Mr. Shields is greatly pleased with Hilo and says he finds it true to its reputation and fame—the prettiest spot on earth.

Passenger List, Bark Santiago.

Mrs. W. H. Lambert and daughter, E. E. Wilson, wife and children, J. I. Kirchburg, wife and child, Albert Haas, Rev. C. E. Shields, wife and child, A. G. Rabenau.

Saw Kilauea.

Wm. Ragsdale, James Williams, N. K. Lyman, D. S. Bowman, Mr. Gruber, P. C. Beamer, D. Thaanum, W. H. Johnson, W. T. McKenzie, S. McKenzie, E. Fuhr, E. A. Jewett, Mr. Kethison, S. Low, E. Rose, F. Soares, Buster Stacker, and one lady Miss Lewis, were at the Volcano House Saturday and Sunday. They report the activity the best the guide has seen for a year or so. The Puna and Kau sides caving in all the time.

At the Waiakea Mission there are a lot of Hawaiian articles of handwork for sale for the Christmas season. Friday is the best day to call.

Mr. and Mrs. John T. Moir will give a "Hoosier-Heatin'" dance on Hogmanay night at their new residence at Papaikou. The event is looked forward to with pleasant anticipations by many in Hilo.

The Wireless Telegraph Co. is erecting a new station at Pukoo, this island, whence messages will be sent direct to Honolulu. Workmen are now engaged in the installation of an engine and dynamo necessary for long distance transmission.

One of the passengers by the Kinau reported that Tuesday morning in the Federal Court at Honolulu the case against F. M. Brooks was nolle prossed. The news of this dismissal a serious charge against Mr. Brooks was heard with pleasure by his big list of Hilo friends.

Judge Little addressed the Waiakea Mission last Sunday evening upon the subject "Obedience is God's First Law." These meetings are becoming quite a Sunday evening attraction and are doing great good. Miss Wight is extending her field of usefulness in a very proper direction.

W. H. Little and James Sisson were the guests of honor at a sumptuous dinner given by the proprietor of the Palm restaurant last Sunday evening. The guests present numbered fourteen and many were the toast drunk to the health and happiness of Messrs. Little and Sisson who leave Hilo soon.

Weber piano for sale, at Dr. Russel's, Mountain View. 5t-f

If you want to drink pure soda water ring 117. Prompt delivery.

Honolulu Primo beer fresh from the keg at Demosthenes, two drinks for a quarter.

Keep your clothes in shape. Set of six wire hangers with rod for 90c.—Moses & Raymond.

Call and see the latest improvement in sewing machines, just received at Moses & Raymond's, Hilo, Hawaii.

The Hilo Bakery would like to do your holiday baking. Your holidays will be more comfortable to let them do it.

Hilo residents going to Honolulu can get the best service in handling their baggage and storage from the Pacific Transfer Co.

Holders of keys to the Red Box in the window of the Economic Shoe Co. may try them at any time commencing on Saturday, 12th inst.

IT WILL NOT DO to fool with a bad cold. No one can tell what the end will be. Pneumonia, catarrh, chronic bronchitis and consumption invariably result from a neglected cold. As a medicine for the cure of colds, coughs and influenza, nothing can compare with Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always cures and cures quickly. The Hilo Drug Store sells it.

VOLCANIC TANTRUMS.

Mauna Loa Crater Dark Since Tuesday Night.
 The last party to see the fires of Moku-awooweo were at the crater Monday night. They were Messrs. H. A. Juen, Charles H. Merriam and W. E. Dennis, who came up from Honolulu last week. The night following their visit, the fires disappeared from the Mauna Loa crater; at least all signs of fire vanished both from the Hilo and the Volcano House point of view and from the view of observers at the Kawaihae end of the Island.
 According to the description by Mr. Merriam, the show in the crater was at the zenith of its grandeur, Monday night. Instead of a dozen or a score of geysers, the molten lava was shooting up in one big cascade from the mouth of a great cone. This stream of fire would pour down the sides of the cone and run like an incandescent river across the floor of the crater. During the night as they watched it, the cone seemed to grow in height before their eyes.
 Tuesday night the mountain was clear and many watchers in Hilo and other points on the Island were fascinated by the unusual brilliancy at the crest of Mauna Loa. But at about 10 p. m. the fires died away. The saffron aurora above the pit vanished and the bald summit of Mauna Loa was dark and cold. Tuesday the day was clear but the customary column of smoke was not visible on the mountain. Wednesday night the peak was dark again. From all appearances the curtain has dropped at Moku-awooweo.

Manager Bidgood reported yesterday that Kilauea crater is working steadily but no spasmodic change took place when the fires higher up went out. There are three and four fountains playing in Kilauea and the sight was pronounced enchanting by nearly all of the twenty or more Hiloites who went up last Sunday.

ELKS' MEMORIAL.
 Address by S. H. Morgan in Lodge Hall Last Sunday.

The memorial service held by Hilo Lodge, No. 759, last Sunday afternoon in the Elks' Hall was fairly well attended. The exercises were distinctly appropriate and very pretty. The music was furnished by a quartette: Hastings Howland, W. C. Cooke, Mrs. A. C. McKenney and Mrs. H. L. Ross. Mrs. Lewis officiated as organist. The meeting was presided over by Exalted Ruler A. C. McKenney, assisted by the other lodge officers in their respective stations.

The services were to commemorate the virtues of the departed. The roll of Hilo lodge shows that death has not entered the ranks of its members since it was founded, although two of its founders, Johnson Nickens and Reginald H. Reid, are gone.
 The eulogy was pronounced by W. C. Cooke of Papaikou and was in that gentleman's most eloquent vein. The address was made by Rev. Sydney H. Morgan of the Episcopal Church. His discourse was remarkable for its breadth and sympathy.
 The program complete was as follows:
 Ritual.....Exalted Ruler A. C. McKenney
 Quartet....."Come Unto Me"
 Invocation.....Chaplain Schoening
 Eulogy.....Bro. W. C. Cooke
 Quartet....."The Vacant Chair"
 Address.....Rev. S. H. Morgan
 Quartet....."The Lord's Prayer"
 Ritual.....Exalted Ruler A. C. McKenney

The Band's Doings.
 The Hilo Band rendered an excellent program at the Hotel last night. Last Sunday the Band gave a concert at the Hilo dock there being between 300 and 400 present. It is claimed by knowing ones that our County Board of Supervisors will devise ways and means so that the Band boys will have some pecuniary assistance from the local government. As soon as the new park is laid out and beautified they say that a band stand will be erected in its centre where the Band will give regular moonlight concerts. The Band is scheduled to play at Hakaulau and Laupahoehoe one of these days.

Austin Foreclosure Sale.
 Honolulu, Dec. 6.—The residence of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Austin at Ponahawai, Hilo, was sold under foreclosure of mortgage at the Judiciary building at noon yesterday by James F. Morgan for Commissioner P. D. Kellett, Jr. After some quick competition between W. O. Smith and Bishop & Co., the first bid being \$2500, the property was knocked down to Bishop & Co., the mortgagees, for \$4500, which is considered cheap. The area of the premises is one and two-tenths acres. Mr. Austin's two New York life policies for \$5000 each were bought by Bishop & Co. for \$1000 and \$200 respectively.

Kinau Passenger List.
 Hon. W. L. Stanley, L. M. Whitehouse, F. L. Winter, W. Drake, D. A. Fox, Rev. S. L. Deha, H. B. Gehr, G. H. Gere, Inomura, Sugai, J. Oufki, Dr. Fitzgerald, C. F. Eckhart, E. H. Scovel, F. Grace, D. D. Maby, J. R. Olsen, Matsumura, Dr. Y. Nakai, Miss Hill, Col. T. R. Miles, T. C. Thurston, G. K. Howell, Percy Levy, Miss O. H. Stevens, Mrs. F. M. Swanzy, Miss Swanzy, Mrs. R. Ivers, Miss Farley, H. W. Poett and wife, A. L. Knudsen, J. A. Fanton and wife, W. W. Johann and wife.

THE CHRISTMAS PLAY.

"The Miser's Mill," a Hilo Piece by Hilo Players.
 About thirty of the little ones of Hilo have been hard at work for the past few weeks rehearsing a Christmas play which they are to act in Spreckels' Hall, December 18 and 19, the box receipts to be given as their Christmas gift to the Free Kindergarten and the Chinese Kindergarten of Hilo. The play, which is called "The Miser's Mill" or the "Miracle of Love," is the story of a hard old miser, whose wicked thoughts are like creeping gnomes living only for evil, and who is brought, through the mediation of the Christmas fairies and the unselfish love of his two ill treated little grand children, to realize there is something in life beside gold and greed. It was written upon an idea given by Mrs. Terry, who has taken deep interest in its production and helped with suggestion and advice. Mrs. J. T. Lewis and Mrs. A. G. Curtis have had the entire management of the play and drilling of the children, with the valuable aid of Mr. W. C. Cook, who takes the only adult part in the cast.
 The scene is laid in Holland, and the costumes of the little Dutch peasants, and the scenery—including the old windmill, designed and made by Mr. Terry—will be true in local coloring, while the fairies and gnomes will look as if they had come just from Fairyland. There will be pretty music, much of it the original work of Mrs. Lewis, and some quaint little dances. Mrs. Curtis and Mrs. Lewis, have been untiring in their efforts to make the play a success. Mr. Cook's well known ability insures a treat in his portrayal of the old miser, and the children have gone into it with heart and soul. The little ones are of all ages from six to fifteen and come from the different Sunday Schools—the Foreign Church, the Hall Church, St. Joseph's and St. James' Mission. And, while the "grown ups" must remember they are only "children" and not expect professionalism, it is hoped they will view the performance with gracious eyes, and by their presence help to make this Christmas gift of the children of Hilo to the Kindergartens, a generous one.
 There will be two performances, Friday night, Dec. 18th, at 7:30, tickets 75 and 50 cents, and a children's matinee, Saturday afternoon, Dec. 19, tickets 25 cents for children and 50 cents for grown people. The matinee will begin promptly at 1 o'clock, to enable the Oiaa children who come, to go home on the afternoon train.

Piano Club Recital.
 The Piano Club held its December meeting at the home of Mrs. Turner, Miss Coan being assistant hostess. The following program was rendered:
 Selectrons.....Grieg
 Mrs. Dranga
 Allegro.....Goldner
 Miss Sumner, Miss Esther Lyman
 Second Mazurka.....Echeverria
 Mrs. Tracy
 Song—"Ask What Thou Wilt".....Dr. Koven
 Mrs. Ross
 Impromptu.....Schubert
 Mrs. Turner
 "Reminiscences from William Mason".....Miss Coan
 Song—"Open Thy Blue Eyes".....Massenet
 Mrs. Bartels
 Violin solo—"Album Leaf".....Bohm
 Mrs. Moses, accompanist, Mrs. Tracy
 "Still as the Night".....Mrs. Hawxhurst
 The Birdling.....Grieg
 Mrs. Lewis
 Spring Song.....Grieg
 Mrs. Lewis
 Duet—"Canzonetta".....Mendelssohn
 Miss Potter, Miss Severance
 Three Woodland Sketches.....McDowell
 Miss Potter

To Delinquent Tenants.
 All persons delinquent in their rents to the Waiakea Mill Company are hereby notified that unless arrears for rent are paid by December 31, 1903, the accounts will be placed in the hands of a collector with instructions to take summary proceedings. Rents are now payable at the office of the Waiakea Mill Company at Waiakea. C. C. KENNEDY, Manager.

St. James' Mission.
 Third Sunday in Advent, 7:30 a. m., Holy Eucharist; 11 a. m., Matins and Sermon; 7:30 p. m., Evensong and Sermon.

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