

LOCAL AND GENERAL NEWS

Orpheum to-night.
 Furnished room to let at No. 9 Garden Lane.
 Hilo has a Chinese paper. Progressive Hilo.
 Do we have holiday on Thanksgiving Day?
 The Planter's Association are in session to-day.
 The transport Solace arrived yesterday with more troops for Manila.
 The Sons of St. George will meet this evening for the nomination of officers.
 "Rooms to Let" at the Orpheum to-night. Go and enquire and study the new bill.

J. T. Stacker, editor of the Hilo Herald, is reported as sick from Malarial fever.

Fred. Harrison has commenced work on the foundations of the handsome Hackfeld building.

Capt. Paul Smith was entertained at a farewell dinner on Saturday evening by the officers of the N.G.H.

Don't fail to ring up Telephone 444, American Messenger Service, if you have any messages or packages to deliver.

The Leonid display at Hilo was as marked a failure as in Honolulu. Nebulosity was too much for the nebulae.

Quite a large attendance gathered at the reception of Bishop Willis on Saturday afternoon, and a very pleasant time was enjoyed by all present.

The Amateur Orchestra and special chorus rehearse at the Y. M. C. A. this evening, the music to be sung at the Leper's Merry Christmas concert on December 6th.

The funeral of the late Dr. McWayne yesterday from the Masonic Temple was an impressive one. The pall bearers were: Hon. Cecil Brown, Dr. C. B. Cooper, Dr. Geo. Herbert, Dr. C. L. Garvin, Dr. G. W. Burgess and Messrs. G. H. Robertson, Geo. C. Ross and Paul Muhlendorf.

The widow of the late lawyer W. L. Holokahiki, who was the oldest Hawaiian member of the Bar, died suddenly last evening at the residence of Mrs. Kamakia, on Nuuanu avenue. The deceased had attended church and shortly after entering her friend's house she was taken ill and died. The cause of death was heart failure. The deceased was about 50 years of age and was a sister of the Hon. E. K. Koa of Hilo. The funeral will take place this afternoon.

Died.

WAIPA—At Honolulu, November 19, 1899, from a fall from his horse, W. P. Lumabeihei Waipa, aged 65. The funeral will be held at 2 p. m. to-day from the residence of his widow, on Young street. Friends are invited to attend.

With the Lyrics.

The matinee and evening performances at the Opera House on last Saturday were well attended and a full house witnessed La Belle Helene.

We publish a letter from a "Thespian" in this issue. "Thespian" is rather severe in his criticism and fails to recognize the fact that the management of the Lyrics while in Honolulu must bow with the good people of that city. We admit that Offenbach would have turned in his grave if his ghost had been in the theatre on Saturday evening. But the Honolulu audience thoroughly enjoyed the show with the "introduced" gags, dances and marching of pretty girls. Some of the music of La Belle Helene was used and for small favors let us be truly thankful.

Fault-finding is easy however, and we all feel grateful for the presence here of the excellent Lyric Company. We wish we could keep them here nine months in a year.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

AT A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE Stockholders of the Inter-Island Steam Navigation Company, Limited, held this day, the following officers and director to fill vacancies, were elected to serve for the unexpired term:

John Ena, President; vice W. B. Godfrey, resigned.
 James L. McLean, Vice-President; vice J. Ena, elected President.
 Norman E. Gedde, Treasurer; vice J. L. McLean, elected Vice-President.
 W. B. Godfrey, Director.

NORMAN E. GEDDE,
 Secretary,
 Honolulu, H. I., Nov. 13, 1899. 1357-1W

CORRESPONDENCE.

A Criticizing Thespian.

ED. THE INDEPENDENT:—

The Opera House on Saturday presented (previous to the rising of the curtain) one of the best dressed and largest houses that has ever been seen in Honolulu. The elegance of the costumes, the flashing jewels, the snowy necks and the charming faces of the ladies seen even under the miserable light of the electric light service rendered it a sight worthy of admiration and memory.

The advertised attraction was La Belle Helene by Offenbach, and in Europe and the States is considered one of the most attractive by that great artist in opera bouffe.

And Col. Thompson be he ever so anxious to reach or overreach the almighty dollar, must admit that the Honolulu public to the fullest did all to render the occasion a financial success. But what did they get! The opening chorus was weak, unbalanced and a half tone flat.

The five act opera was cut down to three acts. The actual time of rendition was one hour fifty-five minutes from that deduct a tedious wait of twenty-five minutes to allow the unfortunate younger persons time to get on their tights and cheese cloth hangings and another wait of ten minutes, and you get La Belle Helene jammed into 1 hour twenty minutes, and those who sat it out thanked God when it was over. To have seen the opera with Aimes in all her richness of voice, grand costumes, form and vivacity with a Paris who foiled the Belle as the handsomest and best dresy man in Athen's was one thing but to see Saturday's show left a very unpleasant impression. What was the matter with Miss Stanton any how, was she sick or sorry, her voice never reached even the compass or volume of a parlor concert. Her articulation was rapid and inaudible. Where were the costumes of Helen of Troy, the Beauty of the World? They really were out of sight. The sparkling music was conspicuous by its absence and the plot was so murdered that when the curtain went down before 10 p. m., the audience said what is it? and some one answered rot.

The only bit suggestive was the chorus, you're not in it, and that was no idle dream.

The burlesque part was so stale that the old jokes could not reach the foot lights from the stage. The songs had gray beards on them: The twelve poor Amazons must have thanked the management for the cheese cloth hangings, otherwise they might have been arrested for having no visible means of support. Oh! you, who have seen Kirally's Amazons. Give us a rest.

Col. Thompson may learn ere he leaves this jay town that Honolulu will liberally support a first-class show, but will severely resent any imposition on their confidence. The general opinion on Saturday night was that it was an Orpheum show at four times the price. THESPIAN.

A FACIAL ACCIDENT.

Terrible Death of a Well-known Kamaaina.

Major William P. Ulumabeihei Waipa met with an accident yesterday evening which eventually caused his death. The deceased who was best known as Lumabeihei left Waikiki about 7 p. m. on horseback for the city. He was in company with several friends and when on the road he started his horse at a fast run.

When his friends reached Pawa, Lumabeihei was lying on the ground among a pile of stones terribly injured. His horse had fallen under him and the rider, who was a heavy man, had been thrown into the pile of rocks which are placed on the road and had apparently fallen over him.

The deceased was picked up and by a passing hack carried to the nearest physician, Dr. Howard.

From there he was immediately conveyed to the Queen's Hospital where he expired at midnight.

The injuries were terrible. The front teeth of his mouth had been knocked out, his nose, jaw and several ribs were broken, and there

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