

THE ISLAND OF GUAM

By H. H. HIATT.

Agana, Island of Guam, February 28, 1902.—REPUBLICAN:—The more I understand of half civilized people the less faith I have with temporizing sentimentality. It is foolish to expect progressive nations to expend much, either of money or time in elevating a race or people whose natural instincts have led them to continue in lazy indifference to the worlds advancements. All expenditures in Missionary work abroad are largely wasted and too often corrupting. The business of nations is now the worlds civilizing power and the best work of christianizing abroad and even at home is to put christian ethics into business affairs. Instead of Missionaries the churches would inaugurate a new era of christian progress to send christian families who were not afraid of Manual labor into the new fields to teach the natives how to grow into civilization as other nations have by christianizing the industries. I speak of Christianizing the industries thoughtfully, for it is only in conditions as we see here, that one can understand how physical circumstances control a people of low morality and intellectuality. The missionary of the past was a hero and a pioneer in the national progress. But times have changed. His work is done; and it is only detracting from the glory of former workers to keep up the expensive form, when the occasion is past. A dozen christian families directing the industrial and civil affairs of this place would give a positive influence that would work little less than miracles. Thrift and faith are marked features of Bible history, and Americans will make no mistake in adopting this course in the development of their new possessions. These natives are standing amazed at American

power, and material things. They receive but small light through their moral eyes. Preaching to them has little or no formative influence. They are ready to take hold of the constructive forces that will in some degree make them like Americans. It is thought these material means that they must now be trained to understand the worlds faith and thrift. It would be cruel to these people to blind them with prejudice of creeds before they had opened their eyes to the substance of moral life. My faith in our National history in the Orient, makes me anxious to see a nation of political and religious liberty push its broad faith in man and God into the constructive forces which will build here a new world's empire. To do this, requires more than natural ingenuity. It requires men who will dedicate the material forces to a new birth of moral and industrial life. What we need are men of deed and not of words, men of practical lives and not a mere profession, and all incidental needs can be supplied by local talent. If christianity expects to do good to these oriental people it must go into business with them before a soulless and selfish industrial power has practically destroyed their opportunities. They must be given industrial equality or perish. If they do not get this it will not be the fault of statesman or politics, but the fault those who pose as moral guides but will not take hold of the forces which direct affairs. Around the orient is centering an industrial empire of world wide influence. It will begin stronger in means and experience than was ever possible to any present nation. The nineteen christian centuries have witnessed no opportunity so potent for good. In the construction of this empire every moral institution should be represented with means and men resolved to dedicate it to freedom and righteousness.

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Agana, Island of Guam, March 29, 1902.—REPUBLICAN:—Many years ago, a man brought from the Hawaiian islands, a boat load of the natives, called Kanakas, to work on these south sea islands. A settlement of Kanakas was made here, and they were constantly in trouble with the Chamorro. They had the Chamorro terrified so badly that they were afraid to go out at night. Many stories of ghosts and fearful sights are still current. The many sheds or shrines which are on every road have a very conflicting history. Some say they mark spots where some Chamorro was accidentally killed, while others say they were built when the Kanakas were here as a kind of refuge from spooks. When any one was pursued by a ghost, he ran to the shrine and sat under the cross by a taper which is always burning at night. No spook ever comes into a shrine, because it is a holy place. Judging from stories, the Kanakas had a great deal of sport scaring the superstitious Chamorros, for they still say great balls of white would roll down hills after them, and tall ghosts of white would chase

them. So intense had the hatred between Chamorro and Kanaka become that Governor Leary had the Kanakas all sent away. The story goes that many years ago a priest converted a Kanaka boy and made him good. The father of the boy, was very much enraged at the priest, and, one day attacked him with a weapon and cut him badly on the head. The priest ran down to the ocean shore to wash off the blood, and to this day we are shown the red spots where the blood fell into the water and on the beach. The red is mainly bleached out of the spots, but it is a poor imagination that can't supply the facts. The poor wounded priest found no sympathy with the wicked Kanakas, so he went to the ocean and took off his hat and put up his coat upon it for a sail. In this hat he set sail for his home in Spain. When he reached Spain he found his old father and brother asleep; so he lay down with them, and together they all died. Silly, as this story is, it is told with reverence by the Chamorro boys and fully believed. In fact pictures of this priest are preserved in the church here, representing all his wonderful sacrifices. Superstition seems to have been the power used by the Spanish everywhere to civilize. Like all deceptions, it reduced the people to a formal religion without awakening a simple ideal, or producing any personality.

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Constipated Bowels

To have good health, the body should be kept in a laxative condition, and the bowels moved at least once a day, so that all the poisonous wastes are expelled daily. Mr. G. L. Edwards, 142 N. Main St., Wichita, Kansas, writes: "I have used Herebline to regulate the liver and bowels for the past ten years, and found it a reliable remedy." 50c at Ed. McComas', Broken Bow and Merna.

District Court.

For the past week Judge Sullivan has kept the district court grinding, but not at a very rapid gait. The jury has been inclined to hang out so long on each case that has been submitted to them for consideration, that it has been difficult for the court to keep up his usual speed.

The case of the state against Chris Burhop of Roten Valley, which we reported last week in progress, went to the jury Thursday evening about 5 o'clock. It was out fifteen or twenty hours and finally brought in a verdict of not guilty. This was a case in which Burhop and Ferguson were arrested last February on the charge of stealing thirteen head of hogs of James Byerly, in the southwest part of the county. Ferguson had gone to Washington soon after the hogs were missing and was arrested and brought back. At the preliminary trial he was released, and Burhop was held under bonds for his appearance to the district court.

Saturday, the case of the state against Moore of Anselmo, who was charged with allowing gambling in his saloon, was tried. This case was tried and determined in less than a day. The jury brought in a verdict of guilty with a request that the court impose the lightest fine the law would admit.

The case of the state against E. M. Butler of Triumph, who was charged with incest, his daughter the complaining witness. Owing to the sickness of one of the jurymen, after the jury had been empanelled the trial was postponed for the time being.

Monday the trial of the case of the state against Will Morrissy was taken up. This was a case in which the defendant was charged with committing rape upon the person of Grace Barcus, a thirteen year old daughter of J. H. Barcus, who was making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Westbrook of this city

her mother being dead. The case went to the jury Tuesday afternoon. It was out for 24 hours or more and on failing to agree was discharged. We understand the jury stood eight for guilty and four for acquittal from first to last. At the conclusion of the Morrissy case the Butler was again called up for trial. In this case the complaining witness denied the acquisition in toto and disremembered of having ever made confession to the county attorney of criminal relations existing between her and the defendant. The court had the jury excused from the room and took the matter in his own hands for a time. The jury was recalled and the case proceeded, with the same result as before and the court dismissed the case.

Yesterday evening the case of the state against Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Rayles from near Merna on the charge of assault with the intention of committing great bodily harm on the person of Charles McLaughlin was put on trial.

NOTICE.

The board of directors of the Lillian Irrigation District will meet at the Ash school house on Monday, June 16, 1902, for the purpose of equalizing the assessment and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before said board.

E. N. BISHOP, Sec'y.

Tax on Babies.

Extreme hot weather is a great tax upon the digestive power of babies; when puny and feeble they should be given a few doses of White's Cream Vermifuge, the children's tonic. It will stimulate and facilitate the digestion of their food, so that they soon become strong, healthy and active. 25c at Ed. McComas' Broken Bow and Merna.

Postponed.

About two weeks ago announcement was made and invitations given to the members and friends of the Christian church requesting their presence at a Rally Service of the church to be held in Munk's Grove, on Sunday, June 1. Owing to the District Convention which is to be held in Ansley a few days later, and other hindering causes the Rally Services has been postponed until the late summer, the date being August 31. This is by no means meant as a final postponement, but simply a change of dates to meet necessities. The program shall be carried out on August 31, the Lord permitting.

Hot Weather Weakness

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J. O. TAYLOR, Ch'r. Com.

Skeets Wins Derby.

Fred Rinne received a cable message yesterday from his daughter, Flossie that "Skeets" won Derby. Skeets is Mr. Rinne's son-in-law whose proper name is Martin. We are informed that the winning of this race carried with it \$10,000 for the winner.

Home Grown Strawberries.

Peter Beck of Georgetown, left at this office Tuesday, a box of fine strawberries that he grew on his place near the Loup. Mr. Beck has a fine patch of them and he tells us that they are bearing nicely. He picks ten quarts off of them every morning.

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