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She Brings Little Fresh News of the
Political Situation in the
Hawaiian Islands

**Will Probably Spend the Summer in
Port—A Pleasant Visit to the
"Pearl of the Pacific."**

The second of the warships of H.M.S.

The Garnet is no stranger here. She was commissioned in Malta two years ago and then joined the Pacific squadron, her officers spending some little time in port. She left here October 31, 1891, for the South American ports after a brief visit to the Hawaiian and Pitcairn islands. Before the overthrow of the Hawaiian monarchy, or in the early days of the republic, she was here. The Garnet was never any intimation of it, and the Garnet was never any intimation of it, and the Garnet was never any intimation of it.

posed, and of course, Capt. F. Hughes-Hallet, her commander, was surprised to find the order of things changed and a provisional government in charge of affairs, while their emissaries had gone to Washington to endeavor to bring about annexation to the United States.

While in Honolulu, as has been previously announced, Chief Engineer Jeffrey of the *Garnet* died, and was buried on March 12, with full naval honors. This was the only untoward event to mar the pleasure of the cruise. Speaking generally, the voyage was uneventful. Everyone was delighted with the "Pearl of the Pacific," as Honolulu harbor is known, and what between the

plendid climate and the extreme hospitality of the residents, all were sorry to go away. It was expected when the ship sailed that the Japanese Government would be repent in Victoria before taking up the Behring Sea patrol, but there now seems to be a hope of remaining here all summer, which would be preferable all round to a winter cruise or 'exile' for four or five months.

Asked as to the political situation in Hawaii, the ship's officers had little to say, more than what has already been published. For a contrast, however, the reports current in Honolulu are that the Japanese are to go forth. The Provisional Government so far has been getting on very well, and there is not so much objection from the supporters of the monarchy. The Queen is al-

support as he previously had, so there can be no cause for complaints on his score. The leader of the Government is generally regarded as an able man of confidence and tact, but his supporters and advisers are not men of the same approval, being regarded to a greater or less extent as adventurers.

One matter in connection with the annexation movement is worthy of more than a passing mention. It is the attitude of the planters, who grow nearly all of the sugar, and really form the chief business population, as without them there could be no export trade. At present they are working on the basis of contract labor mainly, and on this principle opposed the annexation of the United States. In the event of annexation the Japanese would be free to demand


men, wages, which would have to be paid, it is presumed that no more could be obtained from the islands. It would be the American bounty on sugar continuing to be paid—and it is held to be doubtful if this would be done—it would not repay the planters for the additional expense they would incur in wages, and, on the other hand, should not be paid to the natives, they would be in a bad position indeed.

There is a general feeling, though, says Mr. Garnet's officers, that some government could establish a protectorate or else annex the islands, and that if there were not such a settled state of affairs as will not be much a settled state of affairs as conducive to prosperous business, and, it said, in the event of the United States refusing to annex the islands, there will be a great deal of trouble to the outcome. The people being largely Irish.

though little in money, might, step in, but all the nations England is preferred.

Up Go the Prices.

Local boot and shoe dealers have received telegraphic advices of the advance in prices rubber goods 30 per cent. This is due to the recently formed combination, and there reason to believe it will have a like effect on leather boots and shoes.



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IN THE SUPREME COURT OF BRITISH
COLUMBIA.

the master of the Estate of James Mitchell,
Deceased, and in the master of the
"Official Administrators Act."

Notice is hereby given that by an order of
Honourable Mr. Justice Wadsworth, bearing
the 30th day of March 1892, I was ap-
pointed administrator of all and singular the
personal estate that the late Wadsworth, James
M. Mitchell, deceased, was entitled to at the date of his death.

Rachel Pirie, late of the City of Victoria, B. C.
 deceased intestate.
 Persons having claims against the estate of
 said deceased are requested to send me
 particulars thereof on or before the 30th day of
 May, A. D. 1933, and all persons indebted to
 said deceased are requested to pay such in-
 debtedness to me forthwith.
 W. MONTEITH,
 Official Administrator.