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ONLY A MATTER OF PURCHASE.

In the matter of Hawaii, which will be decided by the present Congress, there are two ways by which these islands are to become joined to the United States, by annexation or purchase.

The rather wild opposition made to the annexation of Hawaii based upon the constitutionality of the act of Congress whether this country has the power or right to annex, is a point which it was not clear ought to receive careful attention, but the best authorities on this issue declare that the United States being a sovereign nation, any Congressional enactment, approved by the President, will stand in law.

In order to gain possession of the islands it is suggested that the language of the present bill for annexation shall be changed so as to make the question simply one of purchase.

Whether by treaty or actual out and out purchase, the matter of securing the Hawaiian Islands is really the same in result, for the country assumes the Hawaiian indebtedness of \$4,000,000 in either case.

On the question of objections urged against annexation, Senator Gorman very well said in a recent interview in the Washington Post on this point.

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As to the many advantages which will be gained by the annexation of Hawaii, the following extract from an article published in the Forum in March, 1893, written by Capt. Mahan, gives briefly a few of the advantages to be secured to the United States:

"Too much stress cannot be laid upon the immense disadvantage to us of any maritime enemy having a coaling station well within 2,500 miles, as this is of every point of our coast line from Puget Sound to Mexico. Were there many others available we might find it difficult to exclude from all. There is, however, but one. Shut out from the Sandwich Islands as a coal base, an enemy is thrown back for supplies of fuel to distance of 3,500 or 4,000 miles—or between 7,000 and 8,000 miles going and coming—an impediment to sustained maritime operations well nigh prohibitive. . . . It is rarely that so important a factor in the attack or defense of a coast

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line—of a sea frontier—is concentrated in a single position, and the circumstance renders doubly imperative upon us to secure it if we rightfully can."

The annexation of Hawaii is not a political, but a practical question to determine.

If it was a political question, the Democratic party according to every party precedent and act which has declared for and secured territory for the United States to round out its territorial completeness, ought to be for annexation.

It is as much the "manifest destiny" of this country today, to extend its territory where its commerce and safety demands it, when it can be done without violence to the international law of nations, as it ever was.

Both Hawaii and the United States need the protection which can only be secured by the annexation of these Islands.

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FORGED THE WHEEL.
"There is no new thing under the sun." We hardly expected to find that Dr. Johnson spherized co so up to date a subject as cycling, yet such is the fact, as the following extract will show, says an English paper:

Mr. Ferguson told him of a newly invented machine which went without horses. A man who sat in it turned a handle, which worked a spring that drove it forward. "Then, sir," said Johnson, "what is gained is, the man has his choice whether he will move himself alone or himself and the machine too."—Boswell, Year 1769, Page 307 of Globe Edition.

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IODINE ON FINGERS.

Treatment of the Hands of Pianoforte Pupils Who Practice.

A modest appearing young woman entered a drug store on Madison avenue one morning recently, and, walking to the end of the counter nearest the prescription department, mutely held out both hands toward a clerk who chanced to be standing in that particular place. The clerk, equally mute, reached behind a screen and brought out a blue glass bottle, from which a brush handle protruded. After stirring the contents of the bottle with the brush for a few seconds the clerk daintily brushed the tips of the young woman's fingers around the top of each finger nail. With a pleasant nod of her head and low murmuring, thanks the young woman quickly withdrew from the store and the blue glass bottle was put back in its hiding place.

Observed a puzzled expression on the face of an old patron of the store who had come in to get a cigar, the clerk said, "Iodine."

"What for?" asked the smoker. "Prevents the fingers from getting sore," replied the clerk. "She is from the musical conservatory, where she practices on the piano three or four hours a day. In order to prevent the finger nails from coming in contact with the ivory keys she has them cut very short, and we apply iodine to take the soreness out of the ends of the fingers after they have been subjected to three or four hours of pounding. Most piano players, you will observe, have their finger nails cut to the quick, so that no clicking sound is emitted when they strike the keys. We keep a bottle of iodine and a brush for the special use of the pianoforte pupils of the conservatory. They come in here for treatment two or three times a week and pay by the month."—New York Times.

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The Good Die Young.
One Neighbor—"Don't you ever have any fears that you won't be able to raise that boy of yours?"
Second Neighbor—"To tell you the truth, I do. 'The good die young,' you know."

"I wasn't thinking of that. I was wondering if you had no fears that some madheaded man, would brain him with an ax for allowing that tin horn all day long."—Indianapolis Journal.

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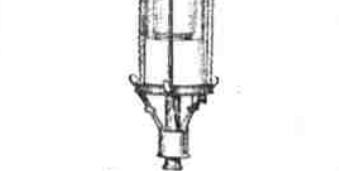
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