

Honolulu, January 15, 1912.

MEMORANDA RE HUI HOONAAUO LILIUOKALANI.

Mr. C. P. Iaukea states that as near as he can ascertain this society was organized about 1886 and was in two divisions "Mahele 1" and "Mahele 2".

Queen Liliuokalani was the President of the Mahele 2 of the Society and Treasurer. There was a secretary and records were kept, but the only book of record which he has been able to find was this one which sets forth the constitution of the Mahele 2, and in the back part of the book there were recorded minutes, but some of the pages containing the minutes appear to have been destroyed.

The lot on Punchbowl Street, near the waterfront, not far from the Honolulu Iron Works (now leased to a Japanese boat builder - formerly belonged to Albert G. Trask, and under date of March 18, 1890 Albert Trask and his wife, Sarah Hoopii, conveyed this piece of land to the "Liliuokalani Hui Hoonaaauo" (second division) for the price of \$800., which deed is recorded in the Registry of Conveyances, Book 122 at page 288.

The records in the book produced at page 41 contain a record of a donation made by Queen Liliuokalani to this second division of the Society of \$1,000. in the year 1891 and goes on to refer to other funds amounting in all to \$4,000. invested in the bonds of the Oahu Railroad. It is also stated that there were \$12,000. in the Hawaiian Construction Co. which King Kalakaua had invested, and with the further statement that the total funds amounted to \$17,000. and there is a statement of some length in regard to the income of this fund being used for the education of girls, and more particularly for the daughters of the members of the Society.

The last record remaining in the book is under date of September 3, 1892 which appears to be minutes of meeting held on that day, in which Mrs. L. Aholo made a number of motions that boys should be educated as well as girls, and Mrs. Laura

Mahelona made a motion to the effect that boys should be helped in boarding schools up to the sum of \$50. for each boy and the parents to pay all above that amount.

Following this record is a list of names of the members of division 2 of the Hui Hoonaaauao Liliuokalani. The first name on the list is that of Liliuokalani herself. In all the names of 37 members are recorded and appear to be the original signatures of the members themselves.

during the former years Mr. Iaukea said there had been quite a number of members of the two divisions of this society, the most of whom had failed to pay their dues and had dropped out.

Of the thirty-seven names recorded as above nineteen are now living and eighteen have died.

The revolution which overthrew the Monarchy occurred in Jan. 1893, a few months after the last record above referred to, and thereafter the Society ceased to have any active existence, and years of trouble for the Queen followed and the Society ceased to exist. As far as Mr. Iaukea can ascertain the Queen used the funds which had belonged to the Society, and now upon interviewing a number of the surviving members, whose names are recorded in the book, he is informed by them that they wish to release to the Queen all the property or money or claim which the Society had. They say that the Queen contributed much of the funds herself, and as she has provided by her deed of trust that her property shall eventually be used for the benefit of destitute children they feel that it would not be just and right for her to now account for any of that money but that it should go with the rest of the property for the objects named in her deed of trust.

The last named secretary of the Society, Mrs. L. Aholo and her predecessor in office, Mrs. Lahilahi Webb, are both living and desire to have action taken by which this suggestion can be accomplished.

Mr. Iaukea believes, from what these survivors say, that they are all willing and ready to sign any necessary or proper document certifying to the disbanding of the Society and relinquishing of the funds or claim to the Queen.

Mr. Iaukea says there is also a parcel of land on Beretania Street, which was conveyed to the Society in the same way, and he has the deed for this lot in his office.