

on board, heartily sick of their frolic. They were remarkably orderly and well-behaved while on shore, and indeed the police is so efficient that it would have been impossible for them to be riotous, if so disposed, without finding themselves prisoners in the fort. I must here do Governor Kekuanaoa the justice to say, that he performs the part of a most excellent and energetic magistrate, and while he insists on others conforming to the laws, he is equally mindful of them himself. His fault, if he errs, lies in carrying them into effect too quickly and without sufficient examination. An instance of this fell under my observation, which will be spoken of at a future time.

The usual amusements for visitors in Honolulu, are billiards, bowling-alleys, riding, and visiting. There are but few vehicles, and in consequence of the want of roads, these can go no further than the eastern plain, which is but a short distance. A road for wheel-carriages might be constructed from one end of the island to the other without difficulty, and with little expense; and this is the only island of the group where it would be practicable from end to end.

The roads for horses are mere foot-paths, which at times pass over very difficult places, that by a short turn might be avoided, and with a great saving of labour. This, however, never seems to enter a native's head, and the neglect to improve the roads is akin to his irrational expedient of doubling his load by adding stones as a counterpoise, instead of dividing his bundle.

Desirous of having as thorough an examination made of all the islands of the group as possible, and the repairs of the tender being completed, I put Mr. Knox in charge of her, and sent her with several of the naturalists to Kauai, with instructions to land them, on their return, on the west side of Oahu, for its examination.

They left Honolulu on the 25th of October, and experiencing light winds, did not reach Kauai, although distant only a few hours' sail, until the morning of the 27th, when they were landed at Koloa, on the southeast side of that island. Here a heavy sea was rolling. After the vessel anchored, some canoes came off, and the people pointed out a good landing in a small rocky cove, that appeared as though it had once been a large cavern, whose top had fallen in.

On landing, they entered an extensive level plain, bounded by a ridge of mountains, and cultivated in sugar-cane and mulberries. Captain Stetson has an establishment here built of adobes, but these are not found to be adapted to the climate. The environs of Koloa afford some pasturage; the soil is good, though dry and very stony; the grass and foliage, however, looked luxuriant. About two miles from Koloa, Captain Stetson has his silk establishment, consisting of