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LETTER FROM GROVER.

EDITOR NEWS:

My time and attention have been so completely taken up since my election with matters of high importance that I have scarcely found leisure sufficient to correspond with my warmest friends. It was, and still is, my intention to respond in a practical way to the thousands of earnest workers who have put forth especial efforts in my behalf, by giving each a lucrative and honorable position. But it takes time to arrange such matters satisfactorily to all parties.

I desire to state that in response to the valuable services you have rendered me through your able and influential journal, I intended to offer you the position of American minister to Russia, but the "powers that be" in that empire might by chance rake up some of your radical editorials relating to their infamous treatment of prisoners etc, which might make it unpleasant, perhaps dangerous, for you in that country. However, after giving the subject much thought, I have evolved a proposition that will no doubt suit you exactly. You are aware that there is a reaction in public sentiment concerning the proposed annexation of the Sandwich Islands. Instead of annexation, the United States will probably take measures to restore the deposed queen to her rightful position. Now the young beautiful, accomplished and wealthy princess, Kaiulani, now in this country, is heir to the throne of Hawaii; you are also young and have grand aspirations. I will send you as minister to that government. Of course you will at once make the acquaintance of the beautiful princess and—and—well take advantage of an opportunity which will result in your becoming practically the chief ruler of the Sandwich Islands.

Hoping for your prompt acceptance of the above offer, I remain

Yours Resp'y. G. C.

HOW TO KEEP YOUNG.

There is many a slave to toil and care who would do well to carefully consider the following which we find quoted in the *Scientific American*. The author is un-

known to us.

"Past grief, old angers, revenges, even past pleasures, constantly dwelt upon—all dead, decaying, or decayed thought—make a sepulcher of the soul, a cemetery of the body, and a weather-beaten monument of the face.

"This is age.

"The women who never grow old are the student women—those who daily drink in the new chyle though memorizing, thoroughly analyzing, and perfectly assimilating subjects apart from themselves. "Study is development—is eternal youth.

"The student woman who makes wise use of her acquisitions has no time to corrugate her brow with dread thought of the beauty-destroyer leaping fast behind her.

"Not considered or invited, old age keeps his distance. Brain culture, based on noble motive, means sympathy, heart gentleness, charity, graciousness, enlargement of sense, feeling, power. Such a being cannot become a fossil."

ADVICE TO MOTHERS.

Make your children mind you. Obedience is the first law of the family.

Be stern.

Spare the rod and spoil the child.

Be severe.

Be kind to your children.

Be gentle.

Never lie to your children.

Never hit your children with an axe, or a club, or a broom-handle, or a red-hot stove-lid.

Never shoot your children with a revolver a shot-gun, a derringer, or a repeating-rifle.

Never lie before the children. Always wait till they have gone to bed.

Never permit your children to over-eat.

Let your children eat whatever and whenever they please.

Never permit your daughter to marry a Mormon.

Never smoke before your children.

Never kill anyone, or rob a savings-bank, in the presence of your children.

After your children are married, never let them live with you. It is cheaper to live with them. (This is important.)

Never let your son become a politician, or a financier, or a cowboy, or a leading American humorist.