

THE GREAT FLOW OF '80-'81 RECALLED BY THE NEWS OF RECENT ACTIVITY. TALE OF AN EYE-WITNESS. A NIGHT IN A GRASS HUT WITHIN SIGHT OF THE MOLTEN STREAM. PATHS OF FIRE IN THE FORESTS. MILES OF BLACK UPON WHICH STEAM AND FIRE FOUGHT EACH OTHER. THE DANGER THAT THREATENS HILO.

(WRITTEN FOR THE DISPATCH.) From far away Honolulu came a report that the crater on Mauna Loa is again in a state of eruption...

The eruption on Mauna Loa is again in a state of eruption, and that the town of Hilo is threatened with destruction. Hilo has been threatened in the same way before—many times before...

That is the reason Hilo is so anxious upon the subject as it comes into the bay on the little steamer from Honolulu, 300 miles away. The last time the great crater belled its flaming fate over the little town was in 1887...

The Effect of the Trade Winds. The respective sides of these islands are distinguished as the windward and the leeward. The trade winds blow almost perpetually from the northeast...

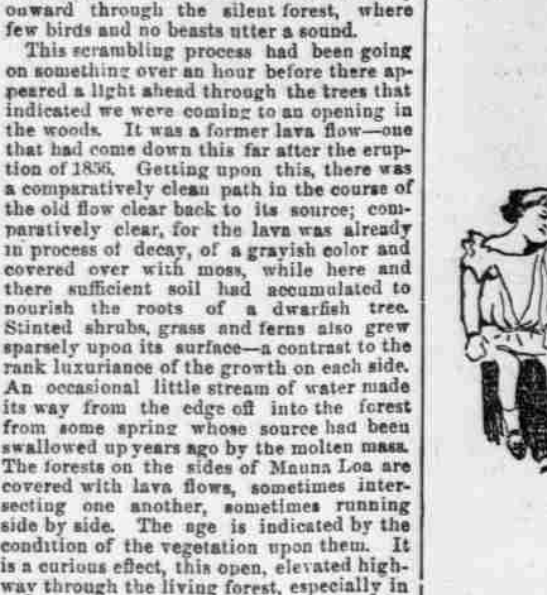
Visitors to Hilo are most upon landing on the island by the water route, upon which they must depend for all their amusement while they are in the little town, for hotel or inn there is none.

The Volcano at Its Worst. One night there was a tremendous detonation which shook the foundation of the whole island, and part of the way up the side of the mountain, think the crack of a cannon. For some time a strong wind was blowing from the east...

Hilo is practically the only report on that side of the island, nearly the whole coast terminating abruptly in a bluff, from which the streets lead down through the plain above leap into the sea...

We started from Hilo about 3 o'clock in the afternoon, intending to spend the night in the neighborhood of the flow. Back of the town we made across a marshy plain, crossed over with many of the coarse grass...

TOPICS OF THE TIME.



Ferdinand de Lesseps and His Merry Family. A number of years ago—I do not know exactly how many—the municipal authorities of Versailles, France, caused a tablet to be placed in a very modest looking house...

The Earliest Map of America. Up to the present time the earliest map known to bear the name of "America" is in a collection of drawings by that great genius, Leonhard de Vinci, who is known as the Count de Lesseps, or "Duke of Sues."

As shown, anyone can study for themselves a map that has been the theme of much discussion for many years. Many of the words are, and while there are many others which cannot be perfectly understood there are several that suggest in a mysterious way a better knowledge of the newly-discovered continent than geographers can very well explain.

The Kaiser's Opportunity. Apropos of the present crisis in France, it is interesting to watch the effort that Germany is making to dissolve the union that binds the first named country and Russia together.

The Youngest Congressman. The Hon. Thomas Settle will be sworn in as a member of the next Congress. Mr. Settle is one of those anomalies, a Republican victor from South Carolina.

The Youngest Congressman. It is rather a coincidence that the elder Settle was up to that time the youngest man who had ever been called upon to preside at a Republican convention.

CHRISTMAS HARMONY.

Splendid Choral Services to Be Rendered in City Churches. CHOIRS THOROUGHLY REHEARSED. The Music to Be Much More Elaborate Than in Former Years.

Christmas with music would hardly be in conformity with modern ideas. Christmas bells are very well in their way, but they are not all that is required in the way of harmonious sounds to welcome the season of Christian love and happiness.

At the Shalviide Presbyterian Church, Amherst avenue, Richard S. Hollister, D. D., pastor, the subject of the morning music will be "The Outcome of the Manger." Following is the music programme:

- Organ Prelude. Morning Service. "The Birth of a King" (contralto solo). "A Light of Kings" (Jack). "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" (Mendelssohn Organ postlude. Evening Service. "Brightest and Best" (Robenstein). "The Prince of Peace" (Erdardt). "Frolic Us Tho' the Coming Night" (Fry). "O Holy Night" (Adams).

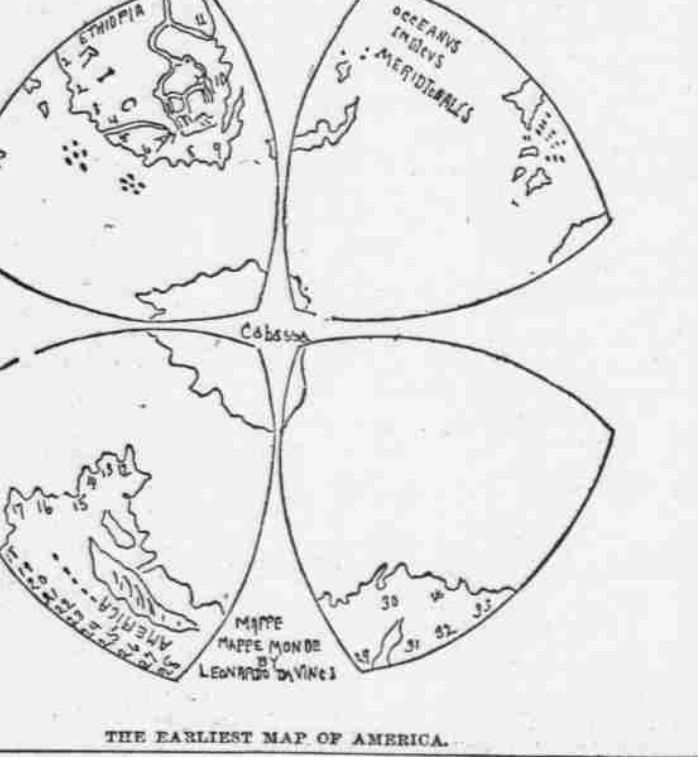
At St. Paul's Cathedral. The following excellent programme will be rendered at the 5 A. M. service. March Postlude. Introit. Kyrie. Gloria.

At St. Paul's Lutheran Church, corner Stockton avenue and Arch street, Allegheny City, the musical programme will be as follows: Morning Service. "Praise the Lord". Organ Postlude.

At St. John's Baptist Church, Thirtieth second street—Then. On La Habbe's grand mass will be sung at a college singing. At the offertory "Adeste Fideles".

At the Trinity Lutheran Church, corner Stockton avenue and Arch street, Allegheny City, the musical programme will be as follows: Morning Service. "Praise the Lord". Organ Postlude.

At the First Presbyterian Church, Wood street the music at 10 o'clock will be rendered by a double quartet consisting of Mrs. William B. Wolfe and Mrs. Susan C. Wolfe, Mrs. M. E. Banker and Miss Ella Banker, also; Mrs. David E. Nuttall and Mr. Ramsey, tenor; Mr. John A. Strous and Mr. Wagner, basses; Mr. John A. Bell, choristmaster and organist.



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