one of the chief conspirators, turned state's evidence, and after a care-
ful and impartial trial, as to which even his counsel made no complaint,
Loomens was convicted of treason, though recommended to mercy, and
several others have pleaded guilty or been convicted of riotous pro-
ceedings. The trial is tending plainly to show that the Hawaiians are
numerously in sympathy with Wilcox, who is to be tried by a native
jury, and whose conviction is regarded as very doubtful.

It is proper for me to convey the confidential information that so far
as the examination of witnesses and the general course of the trials tend,
in the opinion of many persons here, to implicate the King, at least in
sympathy with the revolutionary movement, neither the Government
attorney nor the counsel of the accused seem to mince words or spare
His Majesty, and the court rules with independence and firmness.* I
herewith inclose the charge of the chief justice in the case of Loomens,
as published verbatim in the Commercial Advertiser. It is probable
that when the trial of Wilcox takes place there will be an expression
of native Hawaiian sentiment which may be indicative of the general
opposition of the native Hawaiian voters at the election which is to
occur in February. The feelings of hostility to the Government at
the present time is being stimulated by foreign agitators, who are
taking advantage of the simplicity of the natives for the promotion of
their political and private ends. Out of these trials and the passions
and prejudices they invoke may arise some disturbance in the near
future, of which the February election for members of the two houses
of the legislature may furnish the occasion. I will endeavor to keep
the Department of State informed as to the course of events so far as
they may be of importance.

I have, etc.,

JOHN L. STEVENS.

Mr. Stevens to Mr. Blaine.

No. 7.] UNITED STATES LEGATION,
Honolulu, October 18, 1889.

SIR: In forwarding to the Department of State my dispatch 2, of
September 26, 1889, containing an account of my first reception by the
King, and the presentation of my letter of credence, I inclosed a printed
copy of my remarks and of His Majesty's reply. On second thought I
conclude that I should have sent the addresses in writing; therefore, I
forward the inclosed and ask that the same be placed on file instead of
the printed copies. I ask the indulgence of the Department for the
error which I seek hereby to correct.

I have, etc.,

JOHN L. STEVENS.

The following is the text of my remarks on being presented to the King:

"SIR: In presenting to His Majesty my letter of credence he will allow me to
say that it is with an experience of pleasure that I am permitted to be the medium
of communicating to him the good wishes of the President of the United States and
of the sixty-five millions of people whom he ably and faithfully represents. It is
in the spirit of international fraternity which has greatly increased in force and
elevation in recent times that I am sent as the American agent to His Majesty's

[* See following No. 7.]