said month of January, a small faction of foreign residents called a
meeting in the Rifles Armory, on Beretania street, at 2 o'clock p. m.,
which was attended by from six to seven hundred persons, a large pro-
portion of whom were neither voters nor taxpayers; that at the same
hour a mass meeting attended by about twenty-five hundred persons
(mostly Hawaiians) was held in Palace square, at which resolutions
were unanimously passed and ordered to be presented to Her Majesty
the Queen assuring her of the loyalty and cordial support and sympa-
thy of her people; that both of said meetings were orderly, and no
sign or threat of disorder was seen or heard anywhere throughout the
city; that, at about five o'clock on the same afternoon, a strong force was
landed from the U. S. S. Boston and quartered on property belong-
ing to an Englishman; that no portion of the force landed was as-
signed to the protection of either American lives or property; that
said forces were camped in virtual possession of the Government
building, within less than one hundred yards of the front entrance of
said building; that the landing of the American forces was a matter
of great surprise to the public generally; that a band concert was
held at the Hawaiian Hotel at eight o'clock in the evening which was
very largely attended by the general public, men, women, and chil-
dren turning out in large numbers to enjoy the music, as it was a
beautiful moonlight evening; that no disturbance or breach of the peace
occurred at any time now under consideration, except the shooting of a
policeman while in the discharge of his duty at Hall's corner by a man in
the employ of the conspirators; that said policeman was endeavor-
ing, in accordance with orders, to prevent the transportation of arms
from Hall & Son's store to the armory on Beretania street, and was
unarmed; that the Provisional Government did not issue their procla-
mation till after they had consulted with both Minister Stevens and
Captain Wiltse.

J. A. CUMMINS,
W. T. SEWARD,
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 19th day of June, A. D. 1893.
[SEAL.]
CHARLES T. GULICK,
Notary Public, Island of Oahu.

No. 5.

Affidavit of Ch. L. Hopkins.

HONOLULU, OAHU, Hawaiian Islands, ss:

And now comes Charles L. Hopkins, a subject of the Hawaiian King-
dom, and upon oath deposes and says:

That after the delivery of Minister Stevens's answer to Her Majesty's
cabinet's letter, your affiant remained at the police station until Mr.
J. H. Soper, at the head of the Provisional troops, numbering about 30
men, arrived at the police station, which was about 7:40 p. m. of the
17th day of January, 1893. Marshal Wilson and J. H. Soper made
addresses to the police in the yard, and on the return of J. H. Soper in
the marshal's office your affiant shook hands with him and then took
the 8 p. m. street car for home.

CHARLES L. HOPKINS.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 6th day of May, A. D. 1893.
A. ROSA,