Kalakaua was put on the throne both English and American forces were landed. Admiral Skerrett was the captain of the Portsmouth.

Q. What effect was produced on the mind of the native population by the landing of American marines on the 16th of January, 1893?
A. The effect was to intimidate them.
Q. Was that intimidation helpful to the movers in the revolution?
A. Most certainly.
Q. Could they have succeeded without the impression that they were backed by the United States forces?
A. They would not have undertaken it without. I feel sure of that.
Q. What was the condition at that time in the city as to peacefulness?
A. It was the most peaceful, law-abiding community you would see anywhere.
Q. The stores open as usual?
A. Yes. They closed the stores on the 16th so as to let everybody attend the mass meeting.
Q. Were women and children going about on the streets as usual?
A. Yes.
Q. Did the people go back to their stores after the mass meeting?
A. I think not. It was late in the afternoon.
Q. Was it on account of the lateness of the hour that they did not go back to their stores?
A. Yes; that was the only reason. There was no disorder. Women and children on the street.
Q. The next morning, the morning of the 17th, were people going about as usual?
A. I saw no difference. Our place opened up and I think all the rest of the places on Queen street opened up.
Q. Sometime during the day of the 17th were you sent for to go to the Government building?
A. Yes, sir.
Q. What time in the day was that?
A. About 6 o'clock, I think. I dine at half past 5, and during dinner I was rung up, and went down to the Government building with Mr. Mehrten's, who came for me.
Q. Were you sent for by the parties in this new movement?
A. I do not know that. I was taken by Mehrten's right to the Government building.
Q. And brought in the presence of whom?
A. The Provisional Government.
Q. Please state what occurred there?
A. There was a deal of excitement. I asked why I had been sent for. I do not know who answered me. I was told a committee was going over to the Queen—that I was to go with the committee. I went with the committee.
Q. They didn't ask you to go, just told you you were to go?
A. I was told that there was a committee to be sent to the Queen and I was wanted to go.
Q. For what purpose?
A. To state to her that the Provisional Government had been formed and that she was deposed, and to assist her in making any protest she might want to make.
Q. Did you go?
A. Yes.
Q. Please state what occurred?