Q. And when she went back to Washington Place he always had a cottage there?
A. Yes.
Q. He was marshal?
A. Yes; he had been clerk of the waterworks before that.
Q. Judge, you have a good many races of people here. Could you establish stable government here on the basis of a qualification that they should read and write the English language?
A. That would limit the number qualified to vote very much. It would exclude nearly all the old Hawaiians. It would exclude the Portuguese, except the younger class that have been to school here, and, of course, the younger Hawaiians, who are now taught English exclusively.
Q. What would be the proportion between the white and native vote, putting the English test?
A. I can not say.
Q. Would it leave the native vote in excess or not?
A. I think it would.
Q. Now, on the basis of reading and writing English, could you establish a permanent form of government?
A. I doubt it very much.
Q. Could it maintain a government such as obtains in the States of the United States—New York, for instance?
A. It depends upon the character of the imperial government over it.
Q. What do you mean?
A. I mean that a republic of our own would not be at all successful.
Q. Why?
A. Because our natives are so likely to be influenced by demagogues, and more especially such influences as obtained in the last Legislature, such as the lottery—such schemes as that. The natives joined with the lower class of whites. They have not sufficient character to resist.
Q. Could you establish one that would make life and property safe and preserve order?
A. I doubt it very much.
Q. Would you be willing to take your chances on that sort of government?
A. No sir. As a property-holder and a man of family I would not like to take my chances.
Q. Could you maintain a good government here as a State in the Federal Union, like the State of New York?
A. I have not thought that was possible, because I do not suppose the United States would ever consent to have two Senators from a place like this.
Q. I am not talking about what they would consent to, but as to what you consider the qualifications of the Hawaiians to vote. I do not want to imply that the Government of the United States means to do anything.
A. Yes, I believe we could.
Q. What is the character of the Hawaiian as a voter? Is he an intelligent voter?
A. That is a matter of comparison, of course. He is easily influenced.
Q. In what way?
A. When his prejudices are excited, and when he is told the usual election stories; that something is going to happen unless they vote for such and such a man.
Q. Is he in the habit of selling his vote?