all for discussion. My colleagues and myself were, however, a unit against it, and in negotiating financial assistance for the Government I distinctly said so, both to Mr. Damon and Mr. Irwin, the representatives of the local banks.

In the matter of the opium bill, there was a division of sentiment on the part of the Brown-Wilcox cabinet (reform), two ministers voting for and two against the measure, it being a question upon which there might be an honest difference of opinion, the opinion being held by a large portion of the community that prohibition did not prohibit. What followed the prorogation of the Assembly it is not my purpose to touch upon.

I have the honor to remain, sir, your most obedient servant,

E. C. MacFarlane.

No. 38.

Interview with George Mundon, of Kealia, Wednesday, April 19, 1893.

Mr. Blount. Do you work for Mr. Blaisdell?
A. I am hauling wood for him.

Q. Do you belong to the Annexation Club.
A. Yes, sir.
Q. Are you for annexation?
A. Yes, sir.
Q. Are you for annexation if your people are not allowed free suffrage?
A. Yes, sir.
Q. Are a majority of the native population that way?
A. No, sir.
Q. They are opposed to annexation unless they are assured they have the right to vote?
A. Yes, sir.
Q. Then, is that the case of those in your club?
A. Yes, sir; that is the case as long as they get their franchise.
Q. Well, outside of the club, are a majority of the natives for or against the Queen, if they had their choice?
A. I can not say.
Q. Do not you mingle with them?
A. Well, before the overthrow of the Government the majority were against the Queen's action.
Q. About the new constitution?
A. No, not particularly the new constitution, but the way she carried on.
Q. Did they want her dethroned?
A. I can not say they wanted her dethroned, but they were talking against her political actions.
Q. You were not here during the revolution?
A. No, sir.
Q. Did you know anything of the sort was likely to take place?
A. I did not think it was going to take place as soon, but I thought it would take place.
Q. What made you think it would take place?
A. In regard to the way the Government was carried on. It was against the wishes of the people.
Q. What people?