an untrammelled ballot box, we ask that, in the place of the present temporary usurpers who are hostile to the native race, our own government, in the person of Queen Liliuokalani, be restored to us, with a new constitution more equitable to us than the one that was wrested from the late King Kalakaua in 1887 through force of arms.

To this effect we now pray the God of a common faith, that, right, justice, and honor prevailing, Hawaii, our home and country, be allowed again to enjoy the blessings of the independent autonomy and constitutional régime which were so infamously subverted on the 17th day of January last; and we also earnestly pray that the Almighty may grant all His blessings on yourself, Mr. President, and on the noble American nation.

And your memorialists, Mr. President, have the honor to be, of your excellency, most humble and obedient servants,

J. A. Cummins,
Honorary President.

Joseph Nawaihi,
President.

Jno. E. Bush,
Vice-President.

John Lot Kaaukou,
Vice-President.

J. K. Kaunumano,
Vice-President.

J. W. Bepikane,
Vice-President.

Jas. K. Kaulia,
Secretary.

Enoch Johnson,
Treasurer.

Jno. Uahai Kaneakua,
Executive Councilor.

D. W. Pua,
Executive Councilor.

J. K. Merseburg,
Executive Councilor.

W. H. Rickard,
Executive Councilor.

John Ross,
Executive Councilor.

John K. Prendergast,
Executive Councilor.

Abraham K. Palekaluhi,
Executive Councilor.

J. Kahala
Executive Councilor.

A. Marques,
Executive Councilor.

W. T. Seward,
Executive Councilor.

HONOLULU, this 27th day of December, 1893.

PACIFIC STATION, OFFICE OF THE
COMMANDER IN CHIEF, U. S. NAVAL FORCE,
U. S. F. S. PHILADELPHIA,
Honolulu, Hawaiian Islands, January 2, 1894.

SIR: I have the honor to submit the following report in regard to the situation since the departure of the Corwin on the 24th ultimo.

The military preparations for defense continue to be made by the Provisional Government and the excitement is unabated.

The newspapers assume that I, as the military representative of the U. S. Government, intend to use force to restore the Queen, at the same time they quote me as saying that I would not obey any order which I