Mr. NEWLANDS. I object to it because it does not comport with the particular ideas of the gentleman from Nevada about land statistics.

Mr. KNOX. Very well; I yield to the gentleman's amendment; and great consideration was given to it. I can give to the gentleman statistics as to every acre of land to-day in Hawaii. They are all accounted for, all the holdings, and they are in printed report No. 303. In Hawaii in the land office, the information can be obtained as to the landholdings in the Territory of Hawaii.

Mr. NEWLANDS. Yes; the gentleman informs me that somewhere else this information can be obtained. What we want is a commissioner whose duty it shall be to obtain this information for the Congress of the United States.

Mr. KNOX. Yes, but you cannot expect to have this information placed upon your table at once. It may be that it would be well to have all that; I do not think it is of any very great consequence; but while all consideration should be given, of course, to a gentleman who has given so much time to the House as the gentleman from Nevada has done, I do hope that no one will seek to vote down this final report. [Applause.]

Now, the net result of all this is that the Senate has agreed to our amendment, which was a substitution of the House bill, with these amendments which I have stated.

Mr. SPEAKER. The gentleman from Indiana [Mr. Robinson] has the floor.

Mr. ROBINSON of Indiana. Mr. Speaker, I have carefully watched the course of this Hawaiian bill through its various trials and tribulations, its amendments and changes before the committee, and its changes in the House, in the Senate, and in Committee of the Whole. Mr. Speaker, I have devoted to it a great deal of study, and have spent long days, covering weeks of time, in a careful consideration of it. It was not easy to draft a measure suited to Hawaii or to the conditions then prevailing.

Mr. Speaker, I have paid particular attention to the labor feature of the bill, and in the amendment which I have presented to this House, I have endeavored to make some observations to the House upon that subject. The labor of the committee, in conjunction with the proceedings of the House and Senate and the results of the conference, have brought into the bill what are to my mind the best provisions that could have been enacted upon the subject. It is not difficult to get information on and understand the real conditions.

I believe that the result of the action of the committee on the subject of the appointment of judges of the courts by the President is highly satisfactory, and that it impresses upon the Hawaiian people that their rights are respected by the combined judgment of the House and Senate and as finally molded in conference, give full and free rights to the people.

I very much regret that the proviso on the subject of deporting the Asians from Hawaii was not also agreed to in conference, and I regret that the Chinese and Japanese are not provided for in the bill of the House of Representatives, and that the exclusion act must be protected to secure the labor of the Chinese.

I very much doubt whether the provision in the bill providing that the Chinese shall not come from the Hawaiian Islands to this country will stand the test of the courts when the question comes up. It is not the subject of the right under the Constitution, to have all Chinese, law of that kind passed restricting persons to a certain part of our country.

But the general features of the bill, as finally agreed to and now before us, seem to be as good as under the present circumstances can be. We have too many Hawaiian traces. I believe that the bill in its present form is a good American bill, outside of the special features to which attention has been called by the gentleman from Nevada, and on which I am not informed. I desire to commend the committee, the conference committee, and to congratulate the people of Hawaii upon having what in my judgment is a good measure for their first government.

Mr. KNOX. Mr. Speaker, out of my time I yield ten minutes to the gentleman from Nevada.

The SPEAKER. The gentleman from Nevada is recognized for ten minutes.

Mr. NEWLANDS. Mr. Speaker, I concur in the condemnation which the gentleman from Indiana [Mr. Robinson] has bestowed upon this bill in its general features. It has been consid-