

SPANISH LABOR IS SATISFACTORY

Immigrants Stay on Hawaiian Plantations and Make Good.

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HONOLULU, September 9. — The Spanish immigrants brought here by the Hillopolls some months ago are giving satisfaction in all parts of the islands where they have gone. For the most part, too, they have remained on the plantations where they went to work first. Very few have abandoned the plantations, either to engage in other work or to leave the islands. There have been some who have, for there were undoubtedly some who came who never intended to work on the plantations, but took the opportunity offered by the Hillopolls to leave their country in the belief that they could thus get to America cheaper than by any other way.

A few have left the plantations to seek employment elsewhere, alleging that the wages paid by the plantations were not enough to support their families. Concerning these the Beacon, a weekly paper published ostensibly as the organ of the Democratic party in the Territory, but really controlled and directed by a leading member of the Democratic organization who is deeply interested in plantations, says:

"We note with interest that three Spaniards have appeared in town, having given up employment on the plantations for the reason that the plantation wages, consisting of \$20 per month, were not sufficient to provide them and their families with the absolute necessities of life. It is true that \$20 a month will not support either a Spaniard or a Portuguese who has a family of any size. On the other hand, the plantations cannot well afford to pay much more in cash, but what most plantations can afford, if they will only see it that way, is a plot of ground on which those Spaniards, without interfering with their work on the plantations, can raise what would probably cost them \$10 to \$15 a month to buy."