

Origin, Manners and Customs of the Pacific Islanders.

THE people of Utah have ever been interested in matters pertaining to the Pacific Islanders. As early as 1842, Elders of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints were sent from Nauvoo to Polynesi...

above, their traditions, language and customs clearly indicate their close relationship to the Tongans, Samoans, Hawaiians and other inhabitants of the Polynesian Islands...

THE NEW ZEALAND TIMES OF AUG. 5, 1906, contains the following extracts from Sir George Grey's address in London on the occasion of a reception tendered to Bishop Selwyn of the Mission...

It is possible that the southern G. O. Ma can have read of Hagtho building the ships on the borders of the land of Bountiful and launching them forth into the West sea by the narrow neck which leads into the land northward...

THE MAORI OF NEW ZEALAND have very primitive houses or whares, which are built of native wood and reeds and the timbers are usually very elaborately carved.

AS TO ORIGIN. The Latter-day Saints have held that the Hawaiians, Samoans, Maoris, Tahitians and other Pacific Islanders are of the same stock as the American Indians...



JAPANESE JIRIKISHA AND CHERRY TREES.

to destroy ambition, and the only real incentive there is to activity is the general desire to please the chief of the village or district. This condition is being upset by the governments who now control the islands...

A QUIET PEOPLE. Generally the Samoans are a quiet, peaceable, sociable people, and one is safe to go anywhere among them and he will be free from insult or injury...

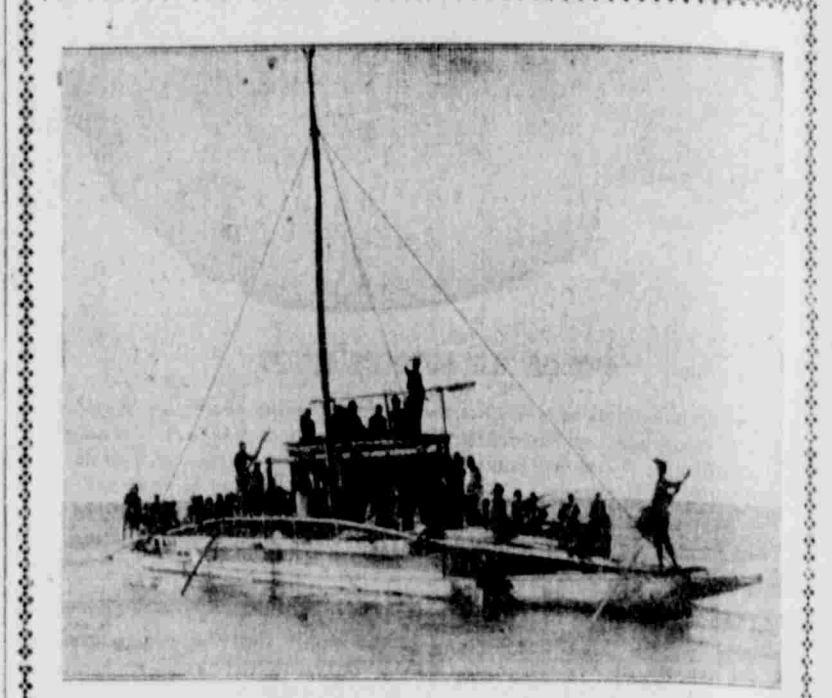
AMBITION TO LEARN. There are many other matters that might be said of the Samoans, but lack of space forbids. They are ambitious for education and learn rapidly even with poor teachers.

Many of their old customs are fast disappearing, and are being supplanted by the ways of the white man. This is not always an improvement, but as the white man has marked the few small islands that comprise Samoa as being valuable commercially and strategically, of course the natives do

covers. Asks where you desire to go, and delivers you at the door of your destination. Although you may have been out in the storm for an hour you having had your clothes moistened...

JAPANESE CHERRY TREES. The trees under which they are trading are the Japanese cherry. The cherry trees of Japan are not cultivated for their fruit, but for its blossoms...

not come in for much consideration here the interests of the whites are at stake. Still it can be said to the credit of the United States, that its officers controlling our part of the group have taken every good care to protect the rights of the natives to the land...



ANCIENT SAMOAN MAN OF WAR BUILT IN 1870



CARVINGS OF NATIVE DWELLING AND MAORI MAIDEN.

er. Hagtho, who had his yards on the Pacific coast, near the Isthmus of Panama, was spoken of as constructing some large vessels especially for this traffic.

These ships of Hagtho carried many colonies to the land northward. Some of these vessels were subsequently lost and were never heard of again, having failed to reach their intended destination.

SCATTERED BY WAR. From Hawaii many natives, during times of war, were driven to other islands and although New Zealand is so far separated, being in the South Sea, there are traditions indicating that at one time they dwelt with these farther north.

become world famous. The figures of ancestors 'Tipunas', spirits or 'Talpas', and imaginary beings are often carved, and some of the quaint carvings indicate their tribal relations.

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to say just what the true Samoan characteristics are, except by comparison with the people who have influenced their characters in recent times. The Samoans, while being members of the Polynesian family, have many points that mark them as being quite distinct from the rest of the islanders around them.

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en. Samoa being on the other side of the equator everything is upside-down. The men do the cooking and the women keep the woods out of the yard around the house, weave mats and baskets, gather leaves to do the cooking with, and assist in the fishing.

Several feet in diameter, were felled, cut into requisite lengths, heven into shape, and made into large houses, or into canoes, and even large boats.

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OLD MAN-OF-WAR. It is said that this particular 'ala' was made about the year 1780. The trees were cut down, trimmed and heven into the shapes required for that of concave and convex boards, which served for nails, pegs, strings and ropes, and is about the only form of fastening known to the Samoans.

ABOUT BOAT MAKING. In making a boat, little holes are cut into the outside of the boards, and they are secured bound together with this cord. The same plan is followed in building houses except that it is unnecessary to cut holes in the timbers used.

MADE OUT OF RUBBER. These sails are made out of mats woven from the leaves of various tropical plants, and sometimes from the long coconut leaves, but the coconut leaf sails do not last long, so they are not used so much as the other kinds.

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