

Mr. A. Milcox.  
Mauihua,  
Tahiti.

Hono kulu, Dec. 11. '44.

J. B. Wilson;

I got along well on Monday. Though the great stream was high the man sent by Kelishulu kulu, to assist me did not get along in season; another man happened to come along & did well. I got home by Sun. Feb.

John J. I think will go over on Friday or Saturday & I hope he will do good. The Gov.<sup>r</sup> I have made an arrangement for the paakas at Maialua to do any work it can on the meet<sup>g</sup> house. The orders will go in due time to the Land. The governor is quite anxious to have the work go on; as to money to pay a carpenter, don't stop for that; get the timber as soon as possible. Mr. Rogers brother thinks he can make a good roof and splice every rafter, that is very large rafter. In that case you will need to get rafters only about 18 ft long, or they had better be 20 ft. to leave room to work upon; and as they may stand 10 ft apart, you can tell how many

there will be needed. Between the large  
rafts small ones can be laid  
in. The beams can be spliced in  
the middle at the King-post  
& should be long enough to have  
a good splice, that is perhaps 28 ft  
or thereabout. With these statements  
I think you can direct about the tim-  
ber & ~~to~~ the people to work. Get plenty  
of small stuff, say 12 ft long for bases;  
see that you have stuff for King Post  
& pillars underneath. Let me know  
from time to time how the work  
goes. I will help in my poor way  
as I am able.

We had an arrival from China  
yesterday; prospect of the good  
work fair in that quarter.  
Mr. Cushing has concluded a  
noble treaty & gone home via  
Mexico. Missionaries all well  
& doing well.

Bro. Dibble is resolved on  
going home & wishes Bro. A.  
B. Smith to go with him.  
Mr. A. suffered some while  
I was absent. But is as  
well as usual again.

Love to Mr. P. & the heirs  
yours &c. S. R. Armstrong

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