

Hoku o Hawaii  
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Answer to Riddle  
Haina Nane

*feather capes*

Mr. Editor,

Much love to you. Please may I have a little space to insert my answer to Pohaku-o-Pele's riddle.--What is the famous land bird that steps on the billows of the Indian Ocean? Answer -- The mamu. Explanation -- This is what the cape of the conqueror, Kamehameha I is made of.

This bird (the mamu) was not found on all of the islands except Hawaii. On the day that Kalakaua was crowned king, it [the cape] was worn by him on February 12, 1885. Today it is in the Bishop Museum. The body of this bird was a reddish [black], its tail, yellowish and the feather on top of it shone like gold. The feathers under the tail were called koo mamu. On the thighs were the feathers called ae mamu. Therefore, what else can be more famous, O Pohaku-o-Pele. All the wild billows of all the oceans have been trodden upon by the fame of Kamehameha I. The fame of the bird is spoken of by people all over the world...

The Poor Knight.