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Candidates And Taxes
Treasurer Campbell is a public officer and as such has no right to keep secret what he is doing in the public interest, unless publicity hinders his work. In the matter of going after political candidates who are delinquent in taxes, publicity was a distinct aid to the excellent purpose he had formed, of getting the taxes in, for no sooner had their names been published than several of the candidates hastened to the tax office and paid up. The publication appears to have been an excellent scheme for collection of taxes.

An Interesting Business Career
The recent incorporation of the business of F. A. Schaefer & Co., serves to recall, both the long period of years during which Honolulu has been a center of wide-extended commerce, and the great changes that have taken place both in the methods of business and the commodities of commerce. Honolulu was an important center of commerce years before San Francisco had even the unimportant traffic in hides which is described in that classic of the sea "Two Years Before the Mast"; and for half a century at least, the foreign commerce of the Hawaiian Islands was of more importance than that of San Francisco, if not of that of California.

For almost half a century F. A. Schaefer has been engaged in business in Hawaii, and during the whole of that time he has held an honorable position among Hawaii's merchants. In Honolulu's mercantile organizations he has been frequently honored with office, and in all matters which concerned the commerce and the mercantile interests of the islands, his advice and judgment has been held in high esteem. His active life is almost identical with his life in Hawaii. He came here at the age of 21, in 1857, from Bremen, Germany, on the sailing ship "Antilla," around Cape Horn. Soon after his arrival he entered the firm of Melchers & Co. as a clerk and he remained in that position until 1861 when he became one of the firm.

In 1867 the firm of Melchers & Co., which had been established in 1852, changed its name to that of F. A. Schaefer & Co., under which the business has been continued until the present day.

Mr. Schaefer still continues at the head of the firm, although he has reached the age of 70 years. He is apparently as hale and as hearty as ever and takes an active part in the affairs of the business which bears his name.

The building on Merchant street which is occupied by the firm today was built over 50 years ago and it has been the home of the firm continuously since that time.

Aside from taking an active part in his business Mr. Schaefer is the Italian Consul and also the Acting Consul for Austria-Hungary.

As indicating both the extent of the commerce of those early days and the difference in the character of commodities then and now, it may be mentioned that Mr. Schaefer made several voyages to China, during the early years of his life here, going and coming in sailing vessels, and important commodities of commerce then were shark's fins and whalebone.

No merchant in the islands has more sincerely the good will of the people of Hawaii, than Mr. Schaefer. His life as a merchant here covers the period of the greatest development of the islands. Of that development, he can say, as Thucydides said of the history he wrote, "All of which I saw; a part of which I was."

The Progress Of Science
Art is long. Science sometimes seems slow. Scientific research and discovery seem almost at the limit of attainment, until some periodical review of what science has done during a definite period shows how steady the progress is, and how great the advance.

When Sir John Lubbock, as he then was, summarized, in his pleasant and popular way, the triumphs of fifty years of science a quarter of a century ago, elation was mingled almost with a sense of despair. So much had been achieved that it seemed impossible that much more in the way of original discovery could be hoped for or accomplished. Sir John, or Lord Avebury, as he is now known, told the British world a strangely fascinating story. He made common folk understand how much the horizon of knowledge had expanded, and by his plain grouping together of scientific facts and discoveries he showed how much the researches of fifty years had done in a practical way for humanity and the advancement of civilization. It was a record of great achievements in the scientific world, corresponding after a fashion to the discovery of America and Australia in the geographical domain, when it was felt that there were no great continents left to discover. We had built steam engines and invented the screw steamer, discovered telegraphy and laid the great ocean cables, modernized surgery and medicine, analysed by the aid of spectrum analysis the component parts of the sun, accepted the epoch-making doctrine of evolution, and solved most of the problems that so sharply differentiated the age thus covered from all the ages of the world's history that had gone before. It was a tale far more wonderful than any fiction ever evolved from the ingenious imagination of Dumas; and now we get the sequel in Professor Ray Lankester's "Twenty-five Years After."

His presidential address before the British Association at York aimed at supplementing the story of that notable half-century. If Lord Avebury reviewed the great steps of advance, Professor Ray Lankester helps to realize the patient and microscopic processes by which progress is secured, besides summarizing what has been done since the Association met at York in 1881. Readers of Dickens and other popular writers of his day will remember how they pleasantly satirized those amiable and elderly scientific persons who, fifty years ago or so, pursued the paths of scientific investigation to the bewilderment of the vulgar. It is not less bewildering to the average intelligence today to be shown how this relentless pursuit of beetles and butterflies, and this investigation of smells and gases, have helped to revolutionize civilization. The Rayleigh and Ramsay discoveries, the Rontgen rays, the patient investigation of pitch blends which led the Curies to the discovery of radium, that star-photography which has multiplied tenfold the range of the most powerful telescope, the spectroscopic measurement of the movement of the stars, with other matters mentioned by the lecturer, are all results of scientific investigation pursued during the past quarter of a century. It is rather curious, however, that the scientific miracle which of all others would appeal most to the popular mind—that of wireless telegraphy—does not seem to have attracted Professor Lankester's serious notice. The

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It is reported that the United States Rubber Trust has acquired the stock of a large London firm and it is stated that this is the final step towards gaining control of the world's supply of rubber. But what about Hawaii and her rubber plantations?

According to dispatches from Seoul, the latest government returns there show that there are 8,000 Korean laborers in Hawaii, 800 in Mexico and 300 in America.

It has remained for Deputy Sheriff Kalakela to deliver the crushing oratorical blow of the campaign, making promises of jobs and high wages seem mere perisage as campaign material. He told his audience last night that they had better vote for the monkeys in the Zoo than, for the Republican ticket. Thus do we in Hawaii put

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Burke, Webster and even Bryan in the shade as party speakers.

Candidates don't seem to bother so much about being delinquent in taxes as they do about being found out.

FACTS AND FANCIES.
(From the Philadelphia Public Ledger)
When the majority of Cubans found that they could not all get offices they decided to wreck the republic. It is to be hoped that there is not a very large contingent of "Cubans" in the Philadelphia reform movement.

The Kansas City Journal speaks with contempt of those "misguided" people who are reported from day to day as "dying of love." Love is not at all a powerful force to those who never felt its flame.

An oil pipe line has been completed across the Isthmus of Panama. The trust follows the old flag.
President Smith, of the Mormon Church, it appears, has five wives and forty-two children. If they had to live on \$1500 a year the diet would not even be near food.

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