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MR. SCHWERIN'S STUPID MISREPRESENTATION OF FACTS

MR. R. P. SCHWERIN does not improve the situation as regards the Pacific Mail steamship company when he misrepresents the facts in a manner so easily exposed.

Now the collector of the port of San Francisco, Mr. Stratton, declares that Mr. Schwerin's charge has no other foundation than the fact that the Pacific Mail company paid \$400 in fines.

Mr. Schwerin's queer tale of woe included a further charge that the rules made by the interstate commerce commission were exacting and injurious to his business.

The interstate commerce commission has made no restrictions on boat carrying traffic whatever. Not one rule has been made affecting that business.

In compliance with this law, which is of 20 years' standing, trans-Pacific steamship lines running out of San Francisco have published their rates, which upon business to the orient have been about the same as for the rail haul to San Francisco alone.

Mr. Schwerin does not help his cause by glaring misrepresentation of facts. The Pacific Mail company conducts a useful and beneficial trade that San Francisco could not lose without grave injury to the commercial interests of the port.

We say "malicious" with full deliberation. Mr. Schwerin is merely the indiscreet echo of the men for whom he works.

The bitter and angry feeling that Mr. Harriman holds for Roosevelt finds expression in the half baked and irresponsible utterances of Mr. Schwerin.

THE impartial observer nicely balances conjecture in the effort to decide whether Assemblyman Grove L. Johnson has returned to the fold of William F. Herrin and the Southern Pacific political bureau or is merely begging to be let in again.

Now it seems he would like to get back on the reservation or has already got there. It is poor picking in the brush.

The Lincoln-Roosevelt league rejoices in Mr. Johnson's smugness. He has been smoked out. All his life he has stood for program rule in politics.

It is quite in character that Johnson should signalize his last day in office by an attempt to grab a little matter of \$25 that he had not earned.

Do it again, Johnson, and keep at it. Every time you open your mouth it is worth votes to the Lincoln-Roosevelt league.

It is a pitiful and melancholy spectacle presented by this hoary, ancient swashbuckler begging for shelter in his old age and down on his knees before Herrin pleading for the crumbs and ready to abase himself by glorifying infamy.

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HEAVY COTTON DUCKS are in demand for domestic consumption at top prices, according to a commercial paper.

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TATTOO MARKS—A Victim, City. The following is given as a means of removing tattoo marks from the human body.

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Mr. Johnson Has Adjourned



Hugo Mansfeldt Announces He Will Make Last Public Appearance at the Fairmont Saturday

By Walter Anthony

AS the tree towers majestically while the ax of the woodman is picking at its base, so HUGO Mansfeldt's spirit remains untouched though time is touching his fingers.

California received its first glimpse of the beauty that there is in Mozart, Haydn, Beethoven, Schubert and Schumann piano trios, quartets and quintets through Mansfeldt.

Here is the program for next Saturday afternoon. It will close the volume of Hugo Mansfeldt's public contributions to piano music.

It is an American habit to reduce everything to figures. A book is a good book if it sells out a score of editions.

Music has always been made the feature of the Elks' memorial services.

The active members of the Mansfeldt club gave a piano recital at California Club hall last Thursday.

"The Moral Issue Be Damned" —M. H. de Young

IF ever an American city had to choose, with open eyes, between good and evil—civil righteousness and civic rottenness—it was San Francisco this month.

Seventeen of them either took the devil's side openly and brazenly, or gave it stealthy aid and comfort.

Hearst's Examiner, Schmitt's great friend in his prosperous days, left him as the rat leaves the doomed ship.

Thanksgiving Festivities Fill Calendars of Club Women

UNCHEONS, banquets and other purely social events are beginning to fill the calendars of the women's clubs, for the holiday season naturally draws the thoughts of wives, mothers and daughters to feasting, reunions and good cheer.

The San Francisco musical club held a splendid meeting Thursday morning which was well attended by the city's music loving maids and matrons.

The outdoor art league of the California club gave a luncheon Saturday to members and guests in the club-rooms.

The members of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae will be hostesses at a luncheon Saturday in the rooms of the California club in Clay street.

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By The Call's Jester

BOODLE-DO ON WATERED STOCK

The Boodle-do bird in a grafted tree, On the tipmost, topmost bough,

Had a smile on his bill as I passed that way,

So I asked for the reason to hear what he'd say,

And these are the words of his answering lay:

"This water stock business was puzzling me,

And why railroads did it I never could see.

But I've solved the riddle. 'Tis plain as can be—

Herrin and other fish live in the sea,

So stock of the railroads is watered with vim

So they might live upon land and yet keep in the swim."

FINNY VINCENT.

Fishes have been discovered in Guatemala with two pairs of eyes.

NOTE AND COMMENT

Cannon has definitely added himself to the Barkis list.

Radium is now only \$1500,000 an ounce. Clearing house certificates taken.

One of the longest words existing is the Greek word for hash, which

of dough of salicylic acid and glycerin; apply with adhesive plaster for a week.

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