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UNKIND DRIVERS.

A subject on which the indignation of humane people is often aroused is the inhumanity shown by certain drivers to horses on our streets. While it is a pertnent remark that cruelty to children is not infrequent, and its prevention more worthy of the efforts of philanthropists than anything that can be done for animals, yet it is often apparent that a little wholesome restraint and education would be beneficial in the interest of the faithful and oft abused horse.

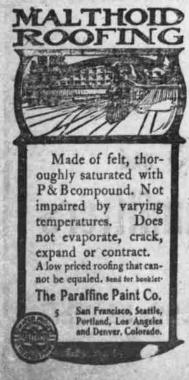
An instance is given thus: A bystander was watching a team of horses drawing a heavily loaded wood wagon up a hill. As the splendid animals were pulling evenly and with all their strength, and making good headway he admired their devotion to duty and willingnes to serve. But the driver expressed his lack of appreciation by finally striking one of them with a heavy plece of wood, without any apparent | ing that if he were he would be "propneed or reason.

Another driver has been noticed for years to continually urge his horses to a faster galt by jerking the lines. A series of short, sharp jerks on horse's mouth may keep his head up and add speed and sprightliness, but. the means with equal justice applied to the man would at once provoke serious

Other drivers seek to make up for the time lost in a chat with the servant girl or to accomplish more in a giver time than is fairly possible, by rushling their teams at dangerous speed through the streets and particularly down steep hills. To drive a horse rapidly down hill indicates ignorance, recklessness and cruelty. Plank roads quickly enough stove up a horse with good treatment, but racing down hill is wanton waste of a horse's useful-

ONE WOMAN'S WAY.

At first thought it is a relief to know that the woman who married a Chinese released from the heathen by divorce. That she was granted a neat alimony is also approved. The exhibition in the court room of dried rats, which she elaimed her husband tried to make her eat, was a species of evidence at once repulsive and effective. But if all reports are true, the Chinese was the victim, and the woman only an adventuress of such abandon that she dared even this scandalous manner of obtaining money under false pretenses. She is said to have boldly declared that this, as also two former marriages, were entered into solely for financial gain. While no one pities here celestal husband, who, having more money than sesuse of propriety, evidently thought he was making a shrewd Yan- ingly." kegt hit, yet the decree was probably as much a relief to him as to the shameless woman who won his cash. If the disappointed husband, the successful but grossly criminal woman, and the persons who issued the license and performed the ceremony were sentenced to a diet of dried rats and enforced labor, perhaps justice would be gist. better served.



Salem ladies have decided on cleanng up the city. They not only where ased and resolved, but have secured horse, cart, man, shovel, broom and all necessary appurtenances and privlieges and gone to work. The men are highly pleased with a prospective increase in healthfulness and beauty of the city. If a few more reforms can be inaugurated in the state institutions, and the legislatures can be held down strictly to business, Salem may yet become an admirable city, even if not a lively one.

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