Correspondence.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.

The tinkering with the Butchertown tinkering and accomplishes little good. Not until a sweeping change is made in the regulations supposed to govern that odorous disgrace will any permanent good be accomplished in that line. The board of health may condemn diseased out of the filth under the slaughterhouses, but the filth is there, and as long as it remains butchertown will be a disgrace to the city, a nuisance to society and a menace to health. The place feet of clean earth, sewered, with connections with that complete sewerage system which this city must sometime have, and floored and paved with asphaltum, sement or other water-tight substance, and then kept clean. Either some thing as radical as this must be done or the slaughtering business must be banished entirely from the city before it ceases to be a nuisance and a poisoner of the air of heaven.

The Canonicle has started a crusade for ares on street railroads. It asserts that the companies can make more money now at three cents a ride than they could at five cents when the present law was passed, and there is little doubt that this is true. There is a prejudice against the cent in San Franeisco, and several attempts to introduce it have been failures, but there is no prejudice againut buying eight car-tickets for twenty-five cents, and as for the profits of the companies, there is plenty of evidence that they are all making money at a merry rate. Your correspondent can put his hand on a letter from a cable-car stockholder who has \$1,000,000 for export both to the east and to the invested in the business and who asserts that the operating of the cable-car system costs no more than two-fifths as much as it did to run cars over the same roads by horse-power at a time when the five-cent rate afforded the companies a good profit.

The cable-car companies now combat the three-cent proposition with the statement that they are not paying dividends even now. This may be technically true, but it is a literal evasion of the truth. When the strike occurred on the Sutterstreet line a few years ago the company refused to grant the demand of the men for \$2 50 a day for twelve hours work on the ground that at \$2 for sixteen hours the stockholders were receiving no dividends. They spent \$100,000 in the strike gave their new men all that the old ones had demanded and then assured the capitalists from whom they borrowed a million or two to build the Pacific and Polk street cable lines that theirs was one nd best paying pieces of e coase. It is safe to g y ty did not pay before ges were increased and use of it, and control h and vain contest against

and other property of the company. The strike referred to taught several wholesome lessons. The men who enand Cliff-House railroad the same assistant foreman who had charge of them on Sutter street before the strike. Organized labor as a whole gained all it fought for in the strike, for it forced the company to pay its new men the wages the strikers demanded. More than this, the strike caused the enactment of a law under which the company must pay at the rate of \$3 a day for every hour over twelve that it keeps a man at work and he cannot sign away his right the the increased compensation. He may work for the company thirteen hours a day for twenty years, signing a receipt in full for every day's wages, but the receipts will be null and void as

regards the pay for the thirteenth hour

unless it was actually paid at the rate of

\$3 a day.

Thus the companies lost all they fought for (the Geary-street company was involved with the other in the strike) and spent \$100,000 to boot, so they will not be likely to repeat the experiment if a similar occasion arises; the labor unions won all they fought for, so they have every temptation to make such another fight but the individual men engaged in the struggle lost their situations and several months' wages, and were never properly. compensated by the labor union which collectively profited by the war. The soldiers who stood in the front and won the fight not only were not pensioned but they were not paid the wages they were promised. Those who were fined for beycotting work or otherwise put to expense in the courts were not compensated and the lawyers who were engaged in their defense, finding the fees promised by the unions were not forthcoming, allowed cases to go by default and innocent men to suffer through the work of greedy policemen and detectives who were in search of rewards.

These scarred and deserted veterans who went through that war, it is safe to assume, will not go into a strike again in a hurry. The cable-car companies have a new trouble. Although San Francisco was the birthplace of the cable street his note, is allowed to stand out in the railroad, a New York company now weather, and may, perhaps, be broken claims, through the courts, the right to up or ruined before it is paid for, because the channel under the street through which the cable runs. The original it large enough to carry a locomotive, which in turn should carry the train. Impracticable on its face, in competition with the cable system, his patent may make a good deal of trouble for our roads, but they are bound to fight it rather than compromise, and the New York claimants may yet get their fingers potatoes, put it on them; if trees, put it when they are eating at the time; if trees, put it on them; if trees, put it

LOT DOOLITTLE.

Farm Dotes.

A Plea for the Apple.

The condition of the eastern apple crop, and the demand for that fruit which nuisance continues. It is a half-hearted has arisen in Europe, suggests an idea tinkering and accomplishes little good. for California fruit-growers which is worth looking into. In nearly all portions of the Atlantic region the crop of apples is small, and much of it is very poor and wormy. That state of affairs eattle and occasionally haul a few hogs the same time the demand which has been created in Europe by liberal exportations of American apples cannot be supplied, and as a consequence a good opportunity for profit is lost.

While it is true that California is now, as it always has been, a heavy importer might be graded by filling in with six of apples, still there is no reason why, with due diligence and enterprise, she would not become a large exporter of that fruit. As has been that fruit. As has been pointed out many times, the great mistake made by California fruit-growers has been in at tempting to produce good apples side by side with oranges and other fruits that thrive in the warm valleys of the interior. While it is true that apples may be grown in such localities, still it has been abundantly proved that such fruit is invariably of poor quality. Experiment has shown nowever, that the foothill region along the coast, and the higher foothills and much of the mountains of the interior. are affinirably adapted to the apple, and hat as fine fruit of that kind can be aised there as in any part of the world. There are tens of thousands of acres of such land that has been cleared of its imber and can be purchased for a very ow price. In such localities, where the penetrated, and where they can easily be prevented from going, may be found the occupation of the bee was gone. be prevented from going, may be found the best opportunities for the cultivation of the apple on a large scale.

The mountains and foothills can in a few years' time be made not only to supply California with all the apples needed, but there can be a large surplus west that will command the best of prices. The apple is the best of all fruits for shipment, and when packed with ful ignorance and a firm belief that ordinary care will stand carriage to any part of the world without loss. There is our pears, plums, peaches, oranges and other fruits. Not the least inducement or embarking in the cultivation of apples

the regions referred to is the fact that le land suitable to the production of other fruits mentioned commands a aparatively high price, good apple nd in the foothills and mountains may e had for but a few dollars an acre.-George F. Weeks in the Chronicle.

Overwork. You overwork occasionally do you not? whether occasionally or constantly, you know that overwork debilitates and opens the way to the attacks of disease. Thousands of men die because of overoverwork it without danger. The number of horses that are killed by hard work in Outs' of him cobsiderations altogether it may be said that a man woo kills his horse or injures it, usually does a very foolish thing. The excuse for overvorking our horses this bullets. No doubt the man regarding the man regarding the man regarding the property of the company of the he increased wages, capitalists would not be tumbling over each other in their is that the work must be done. There is no "must" about it. If a man kill a efforts to loan a couple of millions of dollars on a mortgage on the roadbed nundred dollar horse in doing a hundred dollars' worth of work, he has made no hing-not a red cent. If he kills such horse in doing fifty dollars' worth of gaged in it lost their situations, but they soon obtained others at increased pay. If we would be a little more particular in night after the day of hard battle, as I get together to hear it sung. The The majority of them are working on the estimating the results of such sacrifices, lay shivering on the ground with a

> It pays to grade fruit in packing. The potato crop in the east is rotting

It is very difficult to keep toads out of wells, and this matter is an important one if pure water is desired. drown, sink to the bottom and there

It is no wonder that some farmers are always hard up; they raise the kind of stock, horses especially, that no one wants badly enough to pay the price for them that will justify raising them.

When a hog has all he wants to est, he wants a cool, comfortable place to s'eep, and if this is supplied will grow and fatten in perfect contentment, and the otter contented the animals are the siter they will grow.

In laying off a family garden plat, always adapt it to cultivation with horse and plow by making the length two or three times the width. Also have a three times the width. Also have a regard to drainage by having the rows with a slight inclination, sufficient to earry off the water.

midst of the caravan, reciting, in a high, singing voice, tales of battle and love and magic to beguile the "I will wait," his wife in the letter said, "Where the will w makes a shade." carry off the water. The community that raises good draft

or carriage horses will be found prospecous and progressive. When eight or ten teams will bring into a neighborhood from \$3,000 to \$5,000 it helps everybody dusty-throated voyager of the overland in it and drives the wolf from many a trail. door. Wherever good horses are prosperity reigns. For want of tools and materials to

work with, many boys grow up without the least knowledge of their use, and consequently without the development of any mechanical ability that they may naturally have been possessed of. Every farmer's boy should have a knowledge of practical machines, so far, at least, as they apply to agriculture.

The amount of money invested in farm implements is enormous. In many cases it is not necessary for the farme to own so many implements; but in still more, the farmer is to blame for the treatment of such tools. Many an expensive implement, to buy which the owner has mortgaged his farm, or given of sheer neglect or shiftlessness.

The Chino Champion says: How to patentee of the channel proposed to make kill sophers is a question frequently discassed in the papers. A Los Angeles county farmer has discovered that the little beasts love celery, and that putting poison on this vegetable and placing it in their way is a sure method of killing them. Asa Kimble of Chino says the

The Busy Bee's Occupation Gone.

Here is the secret revealed by a confining grocer whose enthusiastic explanation of the bee-raisers' deception overshadowed the ardor with which he sanded his sugar and put peas in the coffee: "You see there was a time when honey and honeycomb was pure beeswax, but, like everybody some bee-raisers wanted to get rich more rapidly, and the simon-pure prevails even in Canada, where hitherto product of the bees would not visite much good fruit has been grown. At sufficient profits, so the anxious seeker after wealth cast about him for an easier and more rapid road to riches. It was first found that paraffine closely resembled beeswax, and after many trials combs were produced which were scarcely distinguishable in shape and geometrical accuracy from those actually built by the bees themseles "It was then found that when the

artificial combs were placed in the hives the bees took to them as if they were of their own making, and filled them with honey. This plan once in operation became a great saving to bee culturists, as the bees no longer had to make their own comb, but were able to put in all their work making honey. Of course, now and then some, body objected to the quality of wax, but the bee-raisers need dead for several hours, nobody supany little thing like the several hours, nobody supthought that they had struck the ache
of success until they made their next a small portion of a letter from his

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grocery store on 116th street and brazenare made and the standard of success until they made their next a small portion of a letter from his peared in the market paraffine honey- lock, reminding him of a willow tree The first attempt was simply an adult-

scarcely recognizes pure honey when it is found, and ninety people out of the morning the bodies of the slain takes a long hunt to find it .- Philadel-

Perils of "Our Special Artist."

Many persons have said that since my duty was only to see, and not to fight, they should think that I would not be shot at, and so did not incur, who was waiting for him somewhere, much danger of being hit.

that, in a general engagement, special chance or a shadowy recollection of Perhaps you do it habitually, but individuals who do not seem to be his home led his tramp to the spot prominent are seldom selected as tar-i where his wife had promised to meet gets, but if your own chance is no him. It was the willow tree close to worse, it is surely no better t an that, his old home, and there he actually of others near you. To really see a found her. The shock of joy and work. Well, what is true of men in this respect is true of the horse. We connot overwork it without danger. The most cases this can not possibly Gen. Carr told to

Chere have been occasions wn some industrious sharp-shooter trou ed me as somebody on the other side, and considered he was there to shoot at anything or anybody on the other side. My most peculiar experience of this sort was having a sketch-book shot out of take the job, and to get a friend to My most peculiar experience of this sort my hand and sent whirling over my on the under we would less often make them.—West-soldier begged and received a share of find the soldier dead, and from the wound it was plain that but for the intervention of his head the bullet would have gone through my own .-

The Silent Teamster.

From "The Last Trip In." in the series on P. coures in the Far West now running in the Century, we quote the following: "The teamster as one of the types of the frontier, is seldom introduced in print without allusions to his ingenious and picturesque pro- On the day and the hour when the soldier fanity; whereas it is silence, rather

Russian exiles on the great Siberian No name and no place—only, "I will wait where the willow makes a shade."

Though his mind was blurred and memory midst of the caravan, reciting, in a way. For years the parlor vocalist has rung the changes upon barcaroles has rung the changes upon barcaroles and Canadian boat-songs, but not the most fanciful of popular composate has ventured to dedicate a note to the dusty-throated voyager of the overland trail.

"He is not unpicturesque; he has every claim that hards sip can give to popular sympathy; yet, even to the

popular sympathy; yet, even to the most inexperienced imagination, he pursues his way in silence along those fateful roads, the names of which will soon be legendary. As a type he was "I will wait," his wife in the letter said, evolved by these roads to meet their "Where the willow makes a shade." exigencies. He was known on the great Santa Fe trail, on the old Orewill survive-through the immortal Kansas City Star. rhetoric of his biographers-as one whose breath is heavy with curses.

His Proposal.

Edgar: "Miss Edith, I-ah-have something most important to ask you. May 1-that is-" Edith (softly): -Enth, would you be willing to have on the place eaten, and so on with any root, tree or vine they are destroying.

our names printed in the papers with a hyphen between?—Life."

THE TOUCHING STORY OF A SONG. How His Wife Wearily Waited "Where the Willow Makes a Shade."

The fact has been widely and truthfully printed that Gen. William T. Sherman dislikes to hear the tune of "Marching Through Georgia." not that he is unmindful of the fame which his Georgian march made for him, but on every occeasion when a band of music plays knowingly in his hearing they feel in duty bound to render "Marching Through Georgia," and he has heard it so many, many times that it has become tiresome.

He listened attentively, however, the other evening to a war song with the making of which he had something to do. There was once a dinner at the Onio Club, in Fifth avenue, and Gens. Sherman, Sheridan, and Carr were there. Stories of curiously wounded men were told, and one of the narratives was by Gen. Carr, and it related to a soldier in the Second New York Volunteers, of which Carr was Colonel at the outset. In a battle a piece of an exploded shell struck the man on the head and gave him what would ordinarily have proved a fatal American citizen in the nineteenth cen-wound. He lay insensible among the tury, and in the broad glare of the noonglucose, or grape sugar, closely re-sembled honey in appearance and was a very fair counterfeit as far as to his home, his health being poor. lock, reminding him of a willow tree day for his arrival she would meet eration of honey with glucose, and the him there. In the hurry and confusion proportion of the latter was gradually he was left lying with this paper in increased until there was little or no his grasp. Night fell upon the battle-

part of the world without loss. There is no reason why California apples should not be made as popular and command. not be made as popular and command themselves to the deceptive practice of his home that he was dead, and this elatively as high prices in the east as do unscrupulous honey raisers, and some was regarded as beyond doubt, but as unscrupulous honey raisers, and some was regarded as beyond doubt, but as pure honey is still to be had, but it a matter of fact he wandered off to a distant hospital, remained there unidentified until his wounds healed, and was discharged utterly without memory of the past. It happened that he retained the merest scrap of his wife's

letter, but without name or place on it. This he retained, and with a vague knowledge that it was from his wife. he wandered here and there over the Ordinarily, of course, the fact is country for four years. Then mere recognition nearly if not quite cured

him of his malady.

Gen. Carr told the story touchingly and it made a part tip i Pression upon his heart of the him Gen. ought to make verses out of that." "It should have music, too," Gen.

Sherman suggested. make a splendid song. compose an air, with the proviso that words that resulted were as follows:

WHERE THE WILLOW MAKES A SHADE. I awoke at daybreak to lier dead, and from the But twilight was waiting, when carnoge was

done,
To throw a pall o'er the slain.
To throw a pall o'er the slain.
Wides them lay a soldier orgo unto death,
With agony bravely borne:
Fainting and bleeding, and gasping for
breath,
For a shell his bead had torn.

breath,
For a shell his head had torn.
A letter he drew with strength all sped,
And to read it an effort made.
"I will wait," his wife in the writing said,
"Where the willow makes a shade."
Though his mind was biurred and memory
dead,
"The strength from his heart could not fade

dead, Those words from his beart could not fade "I will wait," his wife in the letter said, "Where the willow makes a shade,"

held His fond distant wife's letter fast.

fanity; whereas it is silence, rather than his utterances, that gives him; among his brethren of the way almost the distinction of a species.

'The sailor has his 'chanty,' the negro boatman his rude refrain; we read of the Cossack's wild marching chorus, of the "begging-song" of the by the call that his love obeyed—

He knew that he sought a home and mate by her call that his love obeyed—

No name and no place—only, "I will wait

When the willow was drooping its leaves of

Where the willow makes a shade."
Though his mind was blu red, and memory dead, Those words from his beart could not fade,

Gen. Sheridrn died before these verses were musically arranged. Gen. gon trail, on all the historic pathways Carr underwent a severe surgical that have carried westward the story operation recently for the removal of of a restless and a determined people. a cancer, and is still confined to his The railroads have driven him from the main lines of travel; he is now mere that half a dozen friends, including ly the link between them and scattered Gen. Sherman, assembled to hear the settlements difficult of access. When song. The singer was a professional the systems of feeders to the main vocalist, who gave effective expression track are completed, his work will be to the story of the tramp veteran, and done. He will have left no record it was a sight to see the two Generals among songs of the people or lyrics of listening raptly to the melodious the way, and in fiction, oddly enough, strains of the war story which one of this most enduring and silent of beings them had told .- New York Letter in the

Business Before Pleasure.

Omaha Bride-I'm so glad you brought the evening paper. What does it say about our wedding? Omaha Bridegroom-I can't say, my dear; I only had time to read the base-ball news. - Omaha World.

A rich vein of gold ore is reported to have been found on a farm near Gainesville, Ga.

Jud'cial Sermons.



It is the custom in New York courts. whenever a prisoner is called to the bar for sentence, for the presiding Judge to preach a small sermon. Assuming an expression that would do credit to the famous Pharisee, his Honor indulges in dreary

platitudes about crime, etc. There is no excuse for thus heaping additional contumely on the unfortunate criminal. On the contrary, the constitutional clause prohibiting the infliction of cruel and unusual punishments should protect the criminal from dreary sermons. The following is somewhat like the average judicial sermon: "Smith, stand up. You are one of

the most infamous scoundrels I have ever had before me in my judicial capacity, and yet. Smith, you seem to be a man of fair intelligence, and may at one time have been a useful citizen. "It is most incredible, Smith, that an

and greater discovery. This was that wife. In this she spoke of a furlough ly steal a ham worth one dollar and a which had been granted to him, and half; and yet, Smith, that's what you which he was going to use for a visit did. You have had a fair and impartial trial before a most intelligent jury; you have had the services of the elegant gentleman and learned counselor who ias conducted your defense, but a jury of your fellow citizens has found you guilty. With that verdict, Smith I concur most heartily, for as I said before, I regard you as a man destitute of every sentiment of honor and decency.

'What right had you to swing on to field with the dead unburied and the that ham and convert it to your own use "Nowadays the vitiated public taste living busy with the defense of them- and profit? If the law does not call a carcely recognizes pure honey when selves and care for the wounded. In halt to such fiends as you, the arch upon which rests the social fabric must crumevery hundred eat their glucose in bliss- were hastily buried in a trench. It ble and bring down our most cherished was supposed our soldier was among institutions in one common ruin, and our revolutionary forefathers will have bled and died in vain. Moreover, when arrested with the ham under your coat, you sounded the lowest depths of infamy by kicking the policeman on the shin and taunting him with being a dirty loafer. It is the sentence of the court that you be confined in the penitentiary for three years at hard labor. In passing sentence on you, Smith, I wish to warn you that the law is not vindictive. your case I have tampered justice with

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