

its citizens to 'swat the fly'—little use with so much decomposing refuse lying around in open barrels forming good breeding grounds for that pestiferous insect. The next illustration, Fig. 4 is another good example of what occurs where the collection of refuse is not systematically carried out by the authorities. The garbage cans themselves become a nuisance—two of the lids are gone and the containers are full to overflowing.

As exhibiting the effects of a failure to have any civic system of refuse collection and imposing the work on the individual householders, Figs. 5 and 6 indicate the manner in which lanes become littered in two of our smaller cities.

Having illustrated a few of the features incident to the neglect and inefficiency of the health department, and the carelessness and indifference of the householder, attention may be directed to the unsatisfactory, because in-

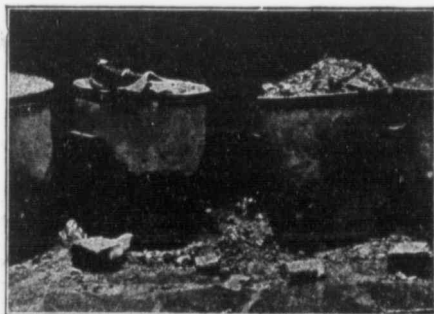


Fig. 4.—In a Back Lane of a City with a System of Refuse Collection Improperly Managed

sanitary, manner in which health authorities permit a department of the civic government to dispose (?) of what is collected, by depositing refuse of all kinds at the "town dump." Fig. 7 is a small section of the dump of a city of some 40,000 inhabitants. Here may be found bits of paper, mattresses, old cans, iron bedsteads, wire springs, glass, pots and pans, manure and decomposing vegetable matter—all indeed that goes to offend the eye and common decency. Nothing is burned and no effort is made to deposit the refuse in an orderly manner or cover it up—all this within the city limits and in close proximity to a large public institution. The land around is littered with paper and light material carried by every wind that blows. The municipality should be indicted for maintaining a common nuisance detrimental to health. The next illustration (Fig. 8), is a horrid example of a city dump, a portion of which has been used for an emergency hospital. No attempt has even been made to put a top dressing of lime and clean earth over the gigantic rubbish pile. It is a pity