

Man in country working an old horse in a poor crippled state. Consented to have the animal humanely destroyed. This was done.

Horse turned out in field with numerous running sores on its body and with one foot nearly sloughed off from picking up a nail was, in consequence of the warm weather, tortured by the flies covering the wounds. As the horse was incurable it was humanely destroyed. Owner not prosecuted, because he was sick in bed and unable to look after it.

A boy fined \$4 and costs for setting a dog to worry geese.

Three boys fined for stoning a cat.

Hackman fined for savagely beating his horse.

Truckman for overloading fined \$4 and costs.

The foregoing cases are samples of the work attended to by our Secretary-Agent with the utmost diligence and self-sacrifice, from year's end to year's end. For a more extended list of cases dealt with, see pages 12 and 13 of this book. An intelligent public will judge the value of this work to the community.

ITS NON-SECTARIAN WORK

One of the most useful features of our work is its freedom from sectarian lines. Not that its members give up in the least any jot of their religious affiliations; but in this labour we meet on common ground, which requires only belief in the principles of common humanity and willingness to put them into action. It tends to break down the barriers of religious exclusiveness, by showing each sect that the members of the others are united in zeal for good works, and that the common Christianity of each takes shape in unselfish services to society, of the same quality and volume. And it gives children a certainty of rescue which has sometimes been fatally prejudiced by the parents' lack of affiliation to any given denomination, or by quarrels of denominations over their control.

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