

LETTER BAG

**Editors Herald:** In your issue of yesterday (Thursday) appears a half-column article, mainly consisting of a

letter from Ellwood Cooper to Prof. D. W. Coquillett of this city, of a complexion so curious that it impels me, as an outsider, interested in our Southern California horticulture and orchards, to do that unwise thing, rush into print in defence of the right! Does it strike

your readers that it is a curious thing that Mr. Ellwood Cooper, a northerner, appears in this article as the only champion of the interests of Southern California orchardists, opposing himself to two of the most disinterested and competent men we have got—Prof. D. W. Coquil-

lett and Mr. John Scott? That it is barely possible that these two last have at heart the interests of Southern California rather more closely than Mr. Ellwood Cooper? That Mr. Ellwood Cooper, some few months ago, declared a practical boycott on Southern California because we did not fall down and

That it is what in good American we call "gall" for a Mr. Ellwood Cooper to state that he has endeavored to give status to a specialist appointee of the

government of the United States at Washington? And that the animus of a refusal on his part, to such a government appointee, of permission to visit his orchard is tantamount to an acknowledgment that Mr. Ellwood Cooper is the owner of an orchard that

will not bear investigation? What do we think of the man who refuses an officer of the United States admission to his property, but that he has on his property that which such an officer would be bound to condemn?

Is it not time that we of Southern California stand by our rights, and

what the HERALD has always been foremost to affirm, refuse to be bulldozed by northern interests?

The state board of horticulture has spent a good deal of money. Some of us think it is not wisely spent. We petitioned the legislature to place funds.

not in their hands, but in those of a perhaps more disinterested body, viz., the state university.

For this offense, every Southern Californian is to say "shibboleth" to Mr. Ellwood Cooper or be anathema maranatha. Are we going to do it? Shall we

bow down the knee to Baal? Or shall we insist on our rights to preserve our own property and take our chances of the wrath of Mr. Ellwood Cooper? I have no doubt of my answer.

I take no notice of Mr. Cooper's throwing his hospitality in Prof. Coquillet's teeth—an action that stamps

the man completely. I presume Prof. Coquille, with whom I am not personally acquainted, will answer these things for himself; but the impertinence, the presumption and the arrogance of that letter seems to me to call for some outside protest. Yours respectfully, IDIOTS.

[Idioten fails to remember that Ellwood Cooper is a Southern Californian, and that he did not refuse to allow his orchard to be inspected by a competent, responsible person, but did object to the presence of Prof. Coquillett, who, as a federal official, appears to have been ped-

EDITORS HERALD: I have been a subscriber to the HERALD for years and I never knew it to take part in any fraud.

For some months past there have been great display advertisements in the Times—"Only 10 cents a day," etc., etc., etc.; and seemingly great inducements were offered to purchasers of the Encyclopedia Britannica, and hundreds like myself have been taken in, and the sake

is still going on. Agents are now canvassing Ventura and all adjacent counties. I think people should be warned about this fraud. Many poor people are induced to buy it because they only pay \$3 per month, but in these hard times have to deny many necessities of life to pay this \$2 every month. But the

pay this \$3 every month. But, being in it, they see no way out. Why pay the Times \$49 for what they can get for \$20? If they don't believe it, let them write to John B. Alden, publisher, 57 Rose street, New York. I am one who believes it is the duty of the press to try to protect the people from fraud, and

Very truly yours, etc.,  
N. E. SMITH.

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**Only to Influence Proxies.**  
BOSTON, Aug. 18.—The story of a sensational suit brought in Philadelphia

against four directors of the Northern Pacific for malfeasance in office, was shown today to one of them, Edwin H. Abbott, who said it was all rot. "It is merely an attempt to influence proxies at the coming election in October," he added.

**Heavily Mortgaged.**  
TACOMA, Wash., Aug. 18.—The California Title Insurance and Trust company today recorded in the auditor's office a mortgage of \$150,000 on the entire Pacific coast plant of the Sunset Telephone and Telegraph company.

**Filed a Chattel Mortgage.**  
DALLAS, Tex., Aug. 18.—The Southern Distilling company, manufacturers and wholesale dealers in wines and liquors, has filed a chattle mortgage to secure claims aggregating \$68,500.

**The Argentine Rebels.** BUENOS AIRES, Aug. 18.—The rebels in the provinces of Corrientes defeated the government troops and are marching on Corrientes.

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Notice is hereby given that the copartnership formerly existing between us, the undersigned, as retail liquor dealers at the Neptune gardens, Santa Monica, Cal., under the style firm name of P. Walters & Son, is this day

solved by mutual consent, and that the said  
 business will in future be carried on by the  
 said Peter Walters alone, who will receive and  
 pay all the debts of the late copartnership.  
 Dated the 9th day of August, 1893.  
 P. WALTERS,  
 J. WALTERS.

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