

GARBAGE MUST COME DOWN.

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GROUND FLOOR FOR IT.

New Rule by the Board of Health Which Shows the Absurdity of a Former One—Arrests Threatened to Occupants of Flats—Mayor Cowherd Back From the World's Fair—Sprinkling Bills Will Soon Be Ready—Contracts Will Be Let Today—City Hall Echoes.

Garbage Contractor Skinner has been authorized by the Board of Health to refuse to go above the ground floor for garbage. This will render it necessary for occupants of two and three-story flats, of which there are many in the city, to keep their garbage on the lower floor, where the collectors can reach it. In many of the flats and tenement houses the garbage cans have been kept on upper floors heretofore, but in future all persons not complying with the rule will be arrested. Assistant Sanitary Superintendent Waring has a list of 130 such persons and intends to notify them of the new rule before making them any trouble.

"Of course the garbage system is not perfect, but if the people will lend their assistance it may be made so," said Dr. Waring yesterday. "If the householders will keep their garbage where it may be easily reached by the collectors, complaints will eventually cease. We are doing the best we can to satisfy the people. Any complaints sent to the Board of Health office by messenger in writing, or over the office telephone, No. 2516, will be promptly attended to. Care should be taken to send exact addresses with all complaints."

This new rule brings out the absurdity of another one in force. The Board of Health insisted that each and every family occupying a house have a garbage can. No common receptacle for several families in the same house would do at all, according to their reasoning. Now comes an order which would make a common receptacle advantageous in every way.