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W. C. MOENTS, County Clerk.

Bids for County Poor Farm and Care of County Poor

Notice is hereby given that by order of the Board of County Commissioners of Box Butte county sealed bids will be received at this office until February 23, 1909, such to specify rent that will be paid for county poor farm, price per week charged for board of county poor, same to include lodging, washing and care of county paupers for the term of one year, beginning March 1, 1909. The board reserves the right to reject any and all bids for good and sufficient reasons.

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Nursery Stock for 1909

Alliance, Nebr., Jan. 19, 1909.
Citizens of Alliance and Vicinity:

I came here from Fremont, Nebr., to solicit your order for whatever you are going to plant this coming spring in the way of fruit trees, vines or plants. Besides these I make a specialty of shade trees evergreens, any hardy kind or size; also a large assortment of flowering shrubbery such as Snow Ball, Tree Roses, Clematis, Hydrangia, Honeysuckle, Perpetual Blooming Roses, etc., etc. Drop me a card and I will call.

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Trees for Sale

Cottonwood trees from 18 inches to 7 feet high for sale in lots from 10 up; also some good ash. Write me what you want. I refer you to R. M. Hampton, who bought 500 of me last spring.

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- Q The births, weddings, deaths of the people you know.
- Q The social affairs of our own and surrounding towns.

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Chicago Women's Odd Journeys.

Little Incidents That Started Them on Their Travels—Old Carter Harrison First Suggested Relief For Congested Streets.

(From Our Chicago Correspondent.)



YOU never can tell, you can't even guess, when you see a trunk at a railroad station why the owner is going away. Some women folks of Chicago journey so often that their departure does not excite any comment except that of the society reporter whose business it is to keep tab on other people's movements.

The sputtering of a steam radiator caused Mrs. Marshall Field to pack up and skip across the western half of the continent. She wasn't Mrs. Field then, but that makes no difference in this story. She was Mrs. Arthur Caton. She was in her home one winter's night trying to read. The steam coil played all the discords in the gamut. The infernal racket turned out by a boiler factory is as sweet as a dulcimer compared to a steam coil when it starts in to make night hideous.

Mrs. Field is not a nervous woman, but the steam coil that got to acting up on the night referred to entrained her mentality. Maybe she recalled her midsummer night's dream. Anyway, she might have said to herself:

I know a bank whereon the wild thyme blows.

Where oxlips and the nodding violet grows.

etc. She summoned her maid. The next morning she was on her way to



ON HER WAY TO CALIFORNIA.

California. And she stayed there until the robins returned to Chicago.

Mrs. Potter Palmer is another traveler. Some folks think they know why she goes to Europe so often. One curious woman made bold to ask her. The mistress of the castle on Lake Shore drive smiled. She actually told. She said that she was very fond of bridge whist and that London did know how to play the game and she went over there just to perfect herself in that. "They" say that Mrs. Palmer gets the bridge fever to such an extent at times that she telegraphs to New York for passage on the next steamer and follows the wire on the first train.

Mrs. L. M. Wilson is another hair-trigger traveler. She is one of Chicago's social leaders. One night she sat in her library reading a book. It was about the garden of Allah. It was somewhere in summer land, where the skies are always turquoise, where there is languor in the atmosphere, where birds of plumage make their toilets in creamy cascades. That was enough for Mrs. Wilson. She was off for the garden of Allah on the next train. She found the garden, and she said that the book was tame compared with the real thing. Trade follows the flag. Trunks follow whims.

There was a time when the hucksters of the town rented the vacant lots in Chicago and raised cabbage, beets and other truck. Strangers in the city didn't know when they were in the country and when they were in the city. There would be a mile of homes and then a quarter of a mile of garden spots, then more houses and then some more cabbage and beets. That was before the city had a super-

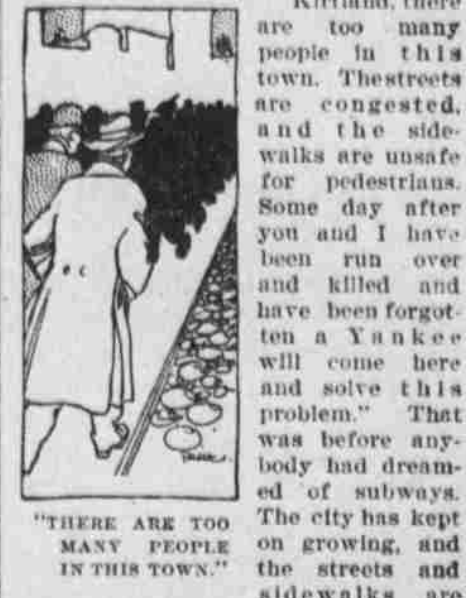


EVERY VACANT LOT A DIAMOND FIELD.

intendant of playgrounds. When that office was created the official concluded that he must do something to earn his salary. His habitat in summer is on the bleachers. He would rather see a ball game than go to a circus on a free ticket. While watching a game it occurred to him that there was not enough of the game to go round. He conceived the idea of renting every vacant lot in town and making it a diamond field, the city to pay the bill. He has recommended that his conception be adopted, and the city is being urged to act. It will cost about \$600 a year to rent and equip a vacant lot for ball. But what's the odds? There has

got to be baseball in town. The parv of Chicago are howling with joy over the prospects. The price of cabbage and beets may ascend, but there has to be enough ball to go round. The next monument money raised in Chicago will be for two men, Pop Anson and the superintendent of playgrounds.

One day a long time ago Carter Harrison pere, then mayor of Chicago, was trying to get from the Rookery—that was the name of the temporary city hall erected after the fire—to his lunch. He was shoved and knocked about just like any ordinary citizen. He turned to his superintendent of buildings, a typical Scot, and said:



"Kirtland, there are too many people in this town. The streets are congested, and the sidewalks are unsafe for pedestrians. Some day after you and I have been run over and killed and have been forgotten a Yankee will come here and solve this problem." That was before anybody had dreamed of subways. The city has kept on growing, and the streets and sidewalks are more crowded than ever. The Yankee has arrived. He has recommended a subway as the only solution of the traffic problem. Of course there is more or less embryo in the scheme. But the city engineer says it is bound to come the way he has figured it. His plan will cost more than \$5,000,000 to start the hole, but if it is ever done there won't be a surface car in town. Fernando Jones, the oldest citizen in Chicago—he knew the last Indian that got drunk here—is afraid that if the plan of the engineer is ever carried out it will make the streets of the city look lonesome.

A whole lot of talk and some hot air will occur before the subway scheme gets started, but this is a good time to make the prediction that the whole town will be tubed before the next generation wears spectacles.

The weather gyrations are to be caged and placed on exhibition. The whole town will have the opportunity of becoming meteorological prognosticators. The man who foretells the currents and the changes of the elements will place the instruments by which he makes his forecasts in a glass case and expose the same to the view of all pedestrians. The case will be enclosed in a kiosk to be erected on some conspicuous corner. People in Chicago are mighty anxious about the weather.

It is no wonder, for the atmosphere here can make a transformation quicker than a man who has borrowed \$5 can sidestep a corner when he sees his creditor coming. When a Chicagoan starts to business he never knows whether to put on a fur lined top-coat or a linen duster. There is a tradition that a south side citizen some years ago sailed down the lake to the mouth of the river in the morning and went home in his sleigh a few hours later. When the weather instruments are caged and cornered it will enable citizens to make some sort of guess as to what is coming. It will help some. There is only one other city in the country where citizens have the opportunity referred to. Washington is the place. The instruments enable a reader to make a forecast and also look backward to see what has been in the weather line.

A pint of milk a day is to be added to the menu of the office cat. The Chi-



CREAM FOR THE CATS.

icago Cat Fanciers' association has raised a fund of \$200 for that purpose. Before any pussy can become a beneficiary of the fund he or she must have a habitat in what is known as the loop district of the city. This district is the business area of the town, or, to make it a little plainer to those who are not familiar with the geography of the city and who may be particularly interested in the feline creation, it is the shopping district. It has come to the knowledge of the lady shoppers who are fond of cats that the rat hunters in the district have that lean, hungry look which was a nightmare to Caesar, who turned down Cassius because he had no adipose on his slats. It is hinted that the ladies were also informed of tabby's starved condition by the cops in the district who have to "beat" it at night. The caterwauls of the felines disturbed the nerves of the bobbies, and they made the fact known to the C. C. F. A. A cat watch will be appointed to see that the cream is placed where it is needed. It is likely that when the summer days draw nigh and the mansions on Prairie avenue and other fashionable thoroughfares are deserted the association will have to increase the fund in order that the turned out felines may not starve.

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