

## VERY HEALTHY SUMMER.

### Less Sickness in Kansas City Than Ever Before, Say Health Officials.

Assistant Sanitary Superintendent Waring says that there was a big decrease in the amount of garbage collected during September. As the watermelon and green corn season draws to a close there is a marked falling off in the amount of garbage to be hauled away from private houses. The city's contract with Garbage Collector Skinner will expire November 1, and after that date householders and others may dispose of their garbage as they please until spring, when the work of carting it away will begin again.

Dr. Waring says that there has been less sickness in Kansas City during the past summer than ever before in its history. He attributes this healthful condition to the new garbage system, which, while it is far from perfect, is effective. He says that a mistake was made in letting the contract by wards. The city should have been divided into garbage districts, laid out with regard to the plane of the ground and accessibility to the dumps, and a uniform price should have been paid for hauling. Even under the present method the garbage system has improved as the contractor and the people became acquainted. Out of the 15,000 houses from which garbage was supposed to have been collected daily during September the complaints averaged only five a day.

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