

1,500 HORSES FOR COACH TRIP

How Morris E. Howlett Expects to Cross the Continent in Ninety Days.

Morris E. Howlett, the professional four-in-hand whip, it was said yesterday, will about the middle of June probably make the attempt to drive the road coach Magnet from San Francisco to New York, a hitherto unattempted feat in road coach driving. Two well-known New Yorkers are said to be concerned with Mr. Howlett in the plan, and the present intention is to start from the Palace Hotel in San Francisco and finish at the Holland House, Fifth Avenue and Thirtieth Street, this city.

The Magnet will be sent to San Francisco by rail. Mr. Howlett's plan is to follow the old overland route used by the forty-niners between the Pacific coast and the Missouri River, and then proceed through Iowa and Illinois into Chicago and from Chicago follow the lines of the New York Central and Lake Shore Railroads into Albany, from which city an attempt will be made to drive to the Holland House in one day.

The distance by road will be nearly 4,000 miles, which is about 700 miles greater than the shortest railroad distance between New York and San Francisco. From San Francisco to Albany only green horses hired en route will be used, and the calculation is that about 1,500 animals will be required. Mr. Howlett will drive his own horses from Albany.

Ninety days is the time limit in which Mr. Howlett hopes to make the journey. It will be by nearly 2,000 miles the longest coach trip ever made; the longest similar American journey being from the Missouri River to San Francisco.

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