

Filter Bed.

There was a special council meeting last evening for a free, public discussion of this matter, with Messrs. Jewel of Chicago, Phillips of this city, and Aldermen Davidson and Clampitt, as chief speakers. The discussion was mostly as to the merits of the sand filter bed and mechanical system with alum.

It was lively and to us a highly instructive discussion; it brushed up our somewhat rusty chemical knowledge and opened many new views of the subject. The Jewel system can be put in for much less money and the builders will guarantee it for five years. Mr. Phillips says it has not so long a life as the sand bed filter, and is very much more difficult to manage and besides the use of alum is objectionable, while the Jewels claim that in their filtered water no trace of the alum is found. We hope there will be another meeting and further discussion.

The council, of course, can pass whatever ordinance it sees fit, but we hope there will be free and frank discussion enough to satisfy the public that the council is acting wisely and for the city's best good.

Waits and Wins.

That is what President Frost and his electric railroad folks did with the obstinate authorities in Kenilworth who refused him a right of way. He built his road up on both sides, and still Kenilworth stood out. Then he put on his cars and had a line of big, heavy, rumbling omnibuses all ready to start to fill in the break and transfer the passengers through the sacred streets of the little suburb.

But even obstinate folks have some sense, when you can get to it. Hence when they saw President Frost sitting on a log by the roadside and those big omnibuses go rattling down their streets they began to wake up.

Monday they yielded and told Mr. Frost he could have the right-of-way, go where he liked if only those "horrid buses" were kept out of town. That is the substance of it, though not the exact language. Work began at once, and before the 10th of

August electric street cars will be running from the extreme northern limits of Waukegan right through the Park down into Evanston, and thence to Chicago. Tickets are now being printed for the through ride to Chicago.

This will mark a new era in our suburban life and will soon insure lower rates to Chicago and other points. 'Rah for Mr. Frost and his road.

Mayor Cobb and Attorney Knox have gone off south a few score of miles into the country for a week's outing. While they are gone the city will run itself.

Six boys were arrested yesterday for going into the lake swimming without having on a proper bathing suit. Their cases were continued ten days.

The Sunday school of the First United Evangelical church will hold their annual picnic at the city park on next Thursday. It is to be a day picnic only. It will be a basket picnic with a union dinner. Other refreshments will be furnished on the grounds. A general social time is anticipated.

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