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Daily Whig.

THE USE OF CHLORINE.
A consulting chemist in Hamilton, J. M. Williams, does not approve of chlorine for the purification of the water and recommends in place of it chloride of iron. By the change, he writes, "we eliminate the one pronounced disagreeable element of a bad taste in the water. We introduce an astringent compound which is immediately exerting its action on organic contamination. This astringent quality provides that albuminous and gelatinous bodies would be efficiently dealt with, apart from the destructive effect of the chlorine, but which, of course, is involved with this astringent action and precipitation action." Here is the opinion of a professional man, and it can only be passed upon by professionals. What do they say with regard to Mr. Williams' contention? In this matter of purifying water the element of cost figures largely. Is chloride of iron a more expensive article than chlorine? It is an important query, though the question of health takes precedence, and the policy of the Health department should not be dictated or determined by the penuriousness of any one.

MORMONS—NEED WATCHING.
The Whig some time ago quoted from articles written by Nan Moulton to the Canadian Courier and to the effect that the Mormons in Alberta were an industrious and thrifty lot, and that they were exceedingly clanish. The same correspondent, in a later issue of the Courier, and following up a most interesting subject, gives a very clear statement as to the teaching of the Mormon church with regard to polygamy.

These Mormons are the descendants of Salt Lake's contingent and really believe all that Brigham Young and his successors taught. Polygamy is not so much in evidence in Utah as it was, because it is illegal. It is preached in Alberta, it seems, and is believed in—it is a cardinal doctrine of the church—and it is not practised because it will not be tolerated under the Canadian law.

There is a danger that sooner or later it will break out. Men and women who are under a belief that they can, religiously, do certain things, will attempt them if they can. The only bar is the fear prosecution the certainty that the law will not permit the iniquity. The rumour in circulation some time ago, and originating in Utah, that polygamy had been abandoned because living was too high, and one man was no longer able to maintain several establishments, appears to be a joke. Polygamy is simply in disrepute everywhere in America, and has been suspended because it will not be tolerated.

HELL TO BE ABOLISHED.

By a strange inspiration the Ottawa Citizen and the Hamilton Spectator, at the same time and in the same issues, and in precisely the same words, deal with a live issue—the hell of the present, the hell that is felt every summer, in every congested city, when the poor sizzle and suffer from the terrible heat. There is great force in what our contemporaries aver, that one should think as much, and of the present as of the future that the people should be as anxious and willing to escape the hell of the present as they are to escape the hell by and bye. The argument is against a continuance of civic conditions, that are blighting and blasting in their effects. The poor must endure many things, quite as painful as purgatorial fires, because they cannot help themselves. Cities can do a great deal to help them. Slum life can be abolished slowly. It takes time to wipe out the evidences of poverty as they are seen in the shacks and shanties and alleged homes of the very poor. The movement involves capital and labour. They are preceded usually by an education that is uplifting, and in this education the public men must lead. In England wonders are being done in the feeding of school children, in the housing of the grown-ups, in the care of the decrepid, in the treatment of the sick and unemployed. A human spirit is abroad, and it is transforming old England and gradually making it an earthly paradise. Our contemporaries, the Hamilton Spectator and Ottawa Citizen, have tried to emphasize a great truth,

namely, that there is a work before every Canadian, and it is to encourage everything that tends to improve the masses to "set forth upon a crusade and abolish every civic hell."

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Mr. Bourassa wants back into the federal parliament and thinks of opposing Hon. Charles Murphy in Russell. That would be an interesting contest. But what of the conservative candidate already in the field? Is he willing to be sidetracked?

The Toronto World is in error in supposing that the street cars in Kingston are used very much in carrying people to church. Some do travel to evening service in that way. Most travel to the lake side park, and appear to enjoy it. Nobody disputes that the issue is with the people. What they want they will have.

Women now aspire to be judges. They must first aspire to be lawyers, and real good ones. The man of large practice makes the best judge, because his reading has been large and his practice varied. If the women would succeed in law they must imitate the man. Judges are not born. They are made wise by hard discipline.

Abolishing hell is no easy matter. It may be cast out of our theological minds but it cannot be abolished from the cities until the civic forces have fought a good fight and won. General Sherman used to say that war was hell. The Hamilton Spectator says it is poverty in hot weather.

Manitoba is hustling for harvesters, over 14,000 of whom have already been asked for, and only half the official crop correspondents have been heard from. The crop of the west promises this year to be an immense one. A harvest of 200,000,000 bushels of wheat means \$200,000,000 to the western provinces.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is lauded by one Ottawa paper as the special friend of the capital; the man who led in its beautification. But he was not deemed worthy of a civic reception on his return from a national errand. Ingratitude, however, is the distinguishing feature of public life.

INCIDENTS OF THE DAY.

News Paragraphs Picked Up By Reporters on Their Rounds.
A retreat is now going on at the House of Providence.
Russell Sharr, California, is visiting his parents, on Barrie street.
Berl Robertson went out to Sydenham, on Monday, on business.
Rev. D. M. Morden, of Ottawa, stopped off here on his way to Picton.
Is Kingston city council going to make a grant to the fire sufferers of Northern Ontario?
Edward Herring and John Tobin, two attendants at Rockwood asylum, resigned on Monday.
Arthur Casterson, of the Ontario Ferry No. 1, spent Sunday with his parents, on Rideau street.
Ernest Leach and his two sisters left, on the steamer Alexandria, for Quebec, on Monday afternoon.
Walter I. Lake, of the Chicago Tribune, and Mrs. Lake are visiting Mrs. James Reid, Princess street.
Father Mulcahey, Worcester, Mass., is in the city. His brother, a student at Queen's, is ill of typhoid fever in the Hotel Dieu.

POLICE COURT CASES.

Charge Against Medical Student Again Adjourned.
The charge of the theft of a microscope from Queen's Medical College, laid by Dean Connell, against E. C. Davis, a student, was again adjourned when it was called in court, Tuesday morning, at the request of J. Mel. Mowat, counsel for the prisoner. There is a possibility that the charge may not be pressed, if the loss to the college is made good.
Robert Harpell, who was charged with collecting garbage without putting up the necessary bond, arranged to comply with the new conditions imposed by the city council.
William Symonds, charged with vagrancy, was given a chance to get a job, which he said he was seeking at Collins Bay.

Disease in Cattle.

The British royal commission on tuberculosis having reported that the disease is transmissible from cows to man, we shall possibly hear no more for a while of the protests against Canada's agricultural restrictions and inspection orders. It is better that some of our cows be put to an untimely end than that the people of Canada be exposed to a direct source of fatal infection.

Passed Examinations.

Miss Alma M. Reid, daughter of M. R. Reid, I.P.S., Sydenham, passed her primary piano examination with honors at the examination held in Kingston by the Toronto Conservatory of Music. Miss Reid, who also has a good standing in third form work of Sydenham High School, is but fifteen years of age.
Dr. Murphy, of North Augusta, has purchased the business of Dr. Hagar in Smith's Falls.
Mabel Mason, aged nineteen, of Parkhill, was drowned when a party of six had to jump from a motor boat when gasoline took fire.

NO ORE YET SHIPPED

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Branch Railway Line to Collins Bay Abandoned—Ore May be Shipped Over Richardson's Wharf
No iron ore has yet been shipped by the Ontario Exploration Syndicate from its mines at Wilbur. It has decided not to build the length of pier originally intended at Collins Bay, and it has abandoned its proposed branch railway line from the K. & P. road to Collins Bay. It found the cost would be too great.
One of the directors made the statement that an arrangement might be made to ship the ore to Kingston over the K. & P. railway, and load it into vessels at Richardson's wharf, at the foot of Princess street. This is the way the leadpar from Richardson's mines is loaded here for Charlotte.

The company has lost half the season already, so far as shipping is concerned, and could easily have afforded to wait for the enlargement of the span of Cataract bridge.

AT LAKE ONTARIO PARK

A Fine Programme Was Given on Monday Evening.
There was a fair attendance at Lake Ontario Park last evening. The programme was a very attractive one. Ford and Laird, comedians in black-faced act, were very funny. They sang, as a duet, "Beautiful Rag," "You're Going to Wish You Had Me Back," and "Listen to the Juggle Band." "Joe" Carr, a versatile comedian, sang in good voice, "I'm An Honourable member of the Patsy Club" and "The Dreamy Italian Waltz." He also contributed a very pathetic recitation, "The Kid's Last Fight," which drew forth an outburst of applause. In connection with the illustrated pictures Miss Rosevear gave two pretty songs, "I Love the Girl My Father Loved and Mother Is Her Name," and "The Dublin Rag." There were four reels of pictures presented, which were attractive, entitled "The Lucky Card," "Immortal Alamo," an episode in the Mexican-Texas war, "Bearded Youth" and "Delayed Proposal." The same programme will be presented to-night. To-morrow will be children's one-cent day with a matinee at 3:30 p.m.

ILLUMINATED YACHT PARADE

Should be a Feature on Civic Holiday Night.
An illuminated yacht parade off Macdonald park on the evening of Monday the 31st, would be a very happy feature at the close of the entertainment to the old boys. Eight years ago, when Kingston had its big celebration in honor of the old boys, the yachts were illuminated, and made a grand sight as they glided along the shores of the park. Every craft, however small could carry a few Chinese lanterns lighted. The yacht club members and others who have boats might have an understanding as to such an illuminated parade in connection with the band concert which is to close the proceedings of the civic holiday.

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