LOCAL POLITICS.

CANVASSING AND INQUIRING.

THE TAMMANY INVESTIGATION.

The Tammany Hall Investigating Committee continued its session yesterday afternoon, and the examination was confined to the alleged frauds in the XXIst Assembly District. Hugh H. Moore, Senator elect from the VIIIth Senatorial District, testified that while the Tammany Hall Committee was endeavoring to procure inspectors he called upon Mr. Charlick with a list for selection; Mr. Charlick refused the list, and offered another, but this he refused because it was composed mainly of Republican and Genet men. Finally, as he left the room, Mr. Charlick referred him to Justice McQuaid, whom he said might compromise with him.

William Haw, jr., the Republican candidate for the Assembly from the XXIst Assembly District, testified that he went to the XXd Election District and found the Assembly ballot-box in the possession of an inspector named Jason Mills, with the three glass sides turned toward him so as to conceal the votes; a policeman named Coghlan kept close to the box, so that both box and inspector were hidden from the voters in front; he protested against this interference, and called upon the citizens to watch these apparent attempts at fraud; he further stated that this policeman was sent to take charge of this polling-place at the special request of Charlick and against the protest of Capt. Saunders of the Twenty-third Precinct. Mr. Haw further testified that one of the inspectors of that district, named Payson Dwight, a Republican and reputable citizen, was removed on the morning of the election and a man named George B. Hunt put in his place. He telegraphed to Commissioner Gardner, and received a reply stating that no change had been authorized. He stated that he had positive knowledge that policemen in uniform and in citizens' dress all over the district publicly distributed tickets for Genet and paid out money in the same interest.

Charles Henshaw, a watcher, swore that when he presented his credentials in the IId Election District he was ordered away by a policeman, and also struck in the face by him. Edward H. Delancey corroborated this testimony, and stated that he compelled the officer to desist in his attack.

George W. Frost, Republican inspector in the XXIId Election District, testified that James Riley, the policeman detailed at that polling-place, peddled tickets and electioneered all day at the polls, even after instructed to desist. He worked exclusively in the interest of Genet.

James McKenna, Republican inspector in the VIIIth Election District, swore that he saw one of the other inspectors changing an Assembly ticket after it had been offered by a voter. He seized his hand and prevented the fraud, and informed the voter; also that he saw a policeman named Thos. Gallagher take a ticket from a voter's hand and substitute another, but he informed the voter and again prevented fraud. The vote which the policeman desired to substitute was one for Genet.

John Cooper, Chairman of the Board of Inspectors in the VIth Election District, saw Roundsman Webb offer a Genet ticket to a voter in the room of the polling-place, and he further made himself generally useful in the interest of that person, disregarding altogether his protests. A prominent Republican official declared that he overheard the day after the election one Lazarus, a Philadelphia rough, boasting that he came on to New-York with 35 men, and did repeating in the XXIst Assembly District for Genet and against Moore. Many other affidavits were also made to the unauthorized changing of inspectors on election day by Mr. Charlick in the interest of Genet, and also of policemen peddling tickets and paying out money for the same object. Allegation was also made that Judge McQuaid worked all day with tickets in one hand and greenbacks in the other.

The investigation will be continued this afternoon at 4 o'clock.

THE COUNTY CANVASS.

The County Canvassers resumed their labors at 11 o'clock yesterday morning. The Supervisor's return from the IId Election District gave Van Brunt 56 votes, and the County Clerk's gave him 68. On motion, the Supervisor's return was allowed. The returns from the Xth, XIth, XVth, XVIth, and XVIIth Election Districts of the IIId Assembly District were not sealed nor indorsed, and the inspectors of election were sent for. The return from the XIIIth Election District of the IIId Assembly District was incomplete, and the inspectors were sent for.

Supervisor Vance amended his motion of yesterday that the result of the canvass be published in five daily papers to two daily papers, to conform to the law.

The canvass was then resumed. In the XVIth Assembly District the following returns were incomplete and the inspectors sent for: XIVth, XXIst, and XXd. In the VIth Assembly District, the VIIth, Xth, XIIIth, and XVIIIth election returns were incomplete and the inspectors sent for. A protest from the IVth Assembly District was referred to the Committee on Protests.

A resolution offered by Supervisor Flanagan, that the returns from Morrisania, West Farms, and Kingsbridge, the Twenty-third and Twenty-fourth Wards, be canvassed by the Board the same as the others, was tabled.

The following is the result of the day's canvass:

SECOND ASSEMBLY DISTRICT.

SECRETARY OF STATE.		MARINE COURT.	
Willers	3,636	McAdam	2,793
Thayer	385	Howland	1,496
CONTROLLER.		Alker	2,761
Nichols	3,662	Hatch	1,303
Hopkins	529	SUPERIOR COURT.	
TREASURER.		Monell	2,705
Raines	3,647	Speir	2,742
Fort	472	Spaulding	1,565
ATTORNEY-GENERAL.		Dayton	1,505
Pratt	3,642	ALDERMAN.	
Stilman	464	Gilon	2,650
STATE ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR.		Mason	1,423
Sweet	3,747	SENATORIAL.	
Taylor	514	For	2,314
CANAL COMMISSIONER.		Jones	1,855
Jackson, jr.	3,747	ASSEMBLY.	
Mead	462	Kirk	2,442
SHERIFF.		Willi	1,386
Conner	2,589	APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF JUDGE.	
McCool	1,621	Yes	461
COUNTY CLERK.		No	2,816
Walsh	2,694	APPOINTMENT OF CITY AND COUNTY COURT JUDGES.	
Patterson	1,448	Yes	539
CORONERS.		No	2,672
Croker	2,494	ANNEXATION.	
Woltman	2,694	Yes	1,236
Eickhoff	2,466	No	987
Flynn	1,557		
Cregan	1,419		
Willman	1,535		

FOURTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT.

SECRETARY OF STATE.		Spaulding	1,565
Willers	4,441	Dayton	1,282
Thayer	1,258	MARINE COURT.	
CONTROLLER.		McAdam	4,050
Nichols	3,790	Alker	4,068
Hopkins	1,645	Hatch	1,473
TREASURER.		Howland	1,442
Raines	4,308	CORONERS.	
Fort	1,804	Croker	4,013
ATTORNEY-GENERAL.		Woltman	3,981
Pratt	4,443	Eickhoff	3,847
Stillman	1,296	Cregan	1,590
ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR.		Flynn	1,397
Sweet	3,808	Willman	1,400
Taylor	1,010	ALDERMAN.	
CANAL COMMISSIONER.		Gilon	3,329
Jackson, jr.	4,866	Mason	1,459
Mead	1,031	SENATORIAL.	
INSPECTOR OF STATE PRISONS.		For	3,508
Millspaugh	4,333	Jones	1,696
Pratt	1,822	ASSEMBLY.	
SUPREME COURT.		Kain	3,991
Lawrence	3,998	Reilly	2,939
Donohue	3,813	APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION OF CHIEF JUDGE.	
Van Brunt	2,258	Yes	963
Faucher	1,461	No	3,787
SHERIFF.		APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION OF COUNTY COURT JUDGES.	
Conner	3,868	Yes	719
McCool	1,536	No	3,717
COUNTY CLERK.		ANNEXATION.	
Walsh	4,657	For	3,351
Patterson	1,391	Against	214
SUPERIOR COURT.			
Monell	4,561		
Speir	4,013		

SIXTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT.

SECRETARY OF STATE.		Eickhoff	2,354
Willers	2,629	Flynn	873
Thayer	974	Cregan	973
CONTROLLER.		Willman	117
Nichols	2,520	MARINE COURT.	
Hopkins	1,061	McAdam	2,446
TREASURER.		Alker	2,414
Raines	2,584	Hatch	1,113
Fort	963	Howland	1,094
ATTORNEY-GENERAL.		SUPERIOR COURT.	
Pratt	2,577	Monell	2,424
Stilman	965	Speir	2,418
STATE ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR.		Spaulding	1,147
Sweet	2,695	Dayton	1,145
Taylor	992	ALDERMAN.	
CANAL COMMISSIONER.		Gilon	2,409
Jackson, jr.	2,624	Mason	1,116
Mead	960	SENATOR.	
INSPECTOR STATE PRISONS.		For	2,238
Millspaugh	2,640	Jones	1,295
Pratt	1,049	ASSEMBLY.	
SUPREME COURT.		Patten	2,339
Lawrence	2,532	Crowley	814
Donohue	2,318	Leake	374
Van Brunt	944	APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF CHIEF-JUSTICE, &C.	
Faucher	1,222	Yes	614
SHERIFF.		No	2,312
Conner	2,621	APPOINTMENT CITY AND COUNTY COURT JUDGES.	
McCool	985	For	460
COUNTY CLERK.		Against	2,215
Walsh	2,347	ANNEXATION.	
Patterson, jr.	1,204	For	2,712
CORONERS.		Against	92
Croker	2,407		
Woltman	2,038		

FOURTEENTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT.

SECRETARY OF STATE.		Haich	948
Willers	2,421	Howland	1,018
Thayer	824	CORONERS.	
CONTROLLER.		Croker	2,105
Nichols	3,875	Woltman	2,977
Hopkins	877	Eickhoff	3,066
TREASURER.		Flynn	1,017
Raines	2,418	Cregan	1,192
Fort	845	Willman	1,021
ATTORNEY-GENERAL.		SUPERIOR COURT.	
Pratt	2,423	Monell	2,275
Stilman	854	Speir	2,260
ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR.		Spaulding	960
Sweet	2,430	Dayton	953
Taylor	812	ALDERMAN.	
CANAL COMMISSIONER.		Gilon	2,224
Jackson	2,428	Mason	980
Mead	824	SENATOR.	
INSPECTOR OF STATE PRISONS.		Gross	1,891
Millspaugh	3,878	Hencken	1,128
Pratt	873	ASSEMBLY.	
SUPREME COURT.		Schweider	814
Lawrence	2,291	Daly	1,454
Donohue	3,145	Murphy	945
Van Brunt	964	APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF CHIEF JUSTICE, &C.	
Faucher	1,034	Yes	831
SHERIFF.		No	2,348
Conner	2,125	APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION OF COUNTY COURT JUDGES.	
McCool	869	Yes	766
COUNTY CLERK.		No	2,149
Walsh	2,243		
Patterson	1,054		

MARINE COURT.		ANNEXATION.	
McAdam	2,283	For	1,901
Alker	2,235	Against	232

GENERAL POLITICAL NEWS.

THE STATE ELECTION—CHANCES OF HOPKINS AND PLATT—OFFICIAL RETURNS.

ALBANY, Nov. 12.—*The Evening Journal* says that from official returns received it is quite probable that Hopkins (Rep.) for Controller and Platt (Rep.) for State Prison Inspector are elected. The election of Thompson (Rep.) for Senator in the XXIIId District is also claimed by 1 majority.

HUDSON, Nov. 12.—The following is the official vote of Columbia County:

Willers, 5,052; Thayer, 4,752; Nichols, 5,497; Hopkins, 4,752; Raines, 5,560; Fort, 4,662; Pratt, 5,516; Stillman, 4,931; Sweet, 5,576; Taylor, 4,642; Jackson, 5,036; Mead, 4,744; Millspaugh, 5,470; Platt, 4,769. Against the appointment of Supreme Court Judges, &c., 3,896; for the appointment of Supreme Court Judges, &c., 2,136. Against the appointment of County Judges, &c., 3,787; for the appointment of County Judges, &c., 2,049. For Supreme Court Judge—Westbrook, 5,496; Kenyon, 4,679.

SCHENECTADY, Nov. 12.—The following is the official result of the election in this county, giving the majorities:

Thayer, 354 maj., Hopkins, 371 maj.; Fort, 351 maj.; Gilmore, 358 maj.; Taylor, 479 maj.; Mead, 393 maj.; Platt, 362 maj.; Landon, for Judge of the Supreme Court, 428 maj. For the appointment of Judges of the Court of Appeals, 428; against such appointments, 1,224. For the appointment of County Judges, 47; against such appointments, 398.

SYRACUSE, Nov. 12.—The official returns of the election in this county by majorities are:

Thayer, 1,443 maj.; Hopkins, 1,614 maj.; Fort, 1,435 maj.; Stillman, 1,225 maj.; Mead, 1,486 maj.; Taylor, 1,111 maj.; Platt, 1,021 maj.

ELMIRA, Nov. 12.—The following is the official result in Chemung County given by majorities:

Willers, 195; Nichols, 77; Raines, 206; Pratt, 204; Sweet, 226; Jackson, 190; Millspaugh, 56; Bradley, for Senator, 566; Miller, for the Assembly, 214; against the appointment of Supreme Court Judges, 1,535; against the appointment of City and County Judges, 872.

OWEGO, Nov. 12.—The following is the official canvass for Tioga County:

Republican—Thayer, 3,127; Hopkins, 3,216; Fort, 3,128; Selkreg (Senate), 3,050. *Democratic*—Willers, 2,544; Nichols, 2,458; Raines, 2,540; Schuyler (Senate), 2,499.

J. J. Van Kleeck (Democrat) was elected County Clerk by 38 majority. A Democratic Coroner was also elected.

THE NEW-JERSEY CONSTITUTIONAL COMMISSION.

TRENTON, Nov. 12.—The Constitutional Commission to-day agreed to an amendment limiting the number of Common Pleas Judges to two, one of whom is to be a counselor at law. The amendment providing for a Vice-Chancellor was also agreed to. The proposition to organize the Legislature on a new basis of representation and to divide the State into seven Senatorial Districts according to population was lost after a long debate. The proposition to limit the indebtedness of counties and boroughs to two per cent, of towns or townships to four per cent, and of cities to eight per cent, except for their water supply, was adopted. An amendment was also adopted depriving a person of the right of suffrage who shall be convicted of bribery in legislation. The Commissioners are about to close their labors.

THE ARKANSAS LEGISLATURE.

LITTLE ROCK, Nov. 12.—From the best information obtainable of the result of the special election, Nov. 4, for members of the Legislature, that body will stand as follows: Senate—Republicans, 15; Democrats, 11. House—Republicans, 47; Democrats, 55.

THE PENNSYLVANIA CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 12.—The Democratic State Executive Committee to-day adopted resolutions empowering the Chairman to take steps to secure for the amended Constitution the support of the people.

THE BOSTON MAYORALTY.

BOSTON, Nov. 12.—Samuel C. Cobb has accepted the nomination for Mayor, made by the Citizens' party last night.

MUSIC AND THE DRAMA.

A WORTHY BENEFIT EFFORT.

The entire receipts of the exhibition,—both afternoon and evening,—of Mr. Barnum's Menagerie, Circus, and Museum, on Friday, the 14th inst., will be given to the Equestrian Benevolent Association. This society was organized two years since, in New-York. It is legally chartered, and its object is the relief of distressed members of the equestrian ring, and of widows and orphans of circus performers. Mr. James E. Cooke is the President of this useful association. All the persons connected with Mr. Barnum's Show have volunteered their services for this benefit, and we are told that the regular company will be increased. That the entertainment is a good one has been well ascertained and strongly stated. It possesses an additional claim upon the public attention, when offered for so good a purpose as the one we have denoted.

DRAMATIC NOTES.

Miss Charlotte Thompson appeared in Cleveland, on Monday night, as *Juliet*.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Florence appeared at the Boston Theater on Monday evening.

Mr. Tupper—"Proverbial Philosophy"—has lately been giving readings in Scotland.

Mr. Barney Williams has almost entirely recovered the use of his eye; and his health in general has been happily restored.

Mr. T. C. King is playing *Quasimodo* at Mrs. Conway's Theater, in Brooklyn.—Mr. Owens is acting at the New Park Theater in that city.

Mr. Chanfrau, who has prospered in Mr. C. W. Taylcure's play of "A Woman's Wrong," appeared in that drama, on the 10th inst., at Cleveland.

Mr. Lawrence Barrett has added *Damon* to the long list of leading parts which he now represents. He acted it at Cleveland, on the 6th inst., with entire success.

Mr. Creswick has been acting at the London Standard Theater, as *Melantius*, in "The Bridal," by Beaumont and Fletcher. He is much commended in the character. His son, Mr. Charles E. Creswick, is also commended for a performance of *Aminta*.

Mr. Daly has done a good work in getting up an entertainment for the benefit of the Orphan Asylums, in charge of the Sisters of Charity. It is a pity that the works of this busy person are not always as innocent and salutary. This time, at any rate, he is engaged upon a purpose we can heartily commend. The performances to which we refer will take place on Thursday afternoon and evening, Nov. 13, at the Academy of Music. The attractions are strong, and the gains should be affluent.

MUSICAL NOTES.

The first concert of the New-York Philharmonic Society will take place next Saturday.

Mrs. Emma Celia Terry is to give a concert at Robinson's Hall in Sixteenth-st. on Sunday evening, the 16th, and will be assisted by other well known artists. Mrs. Terry has had excellent training, and is said to possess a pure, fresh, and sympathetic voice.

The rehearsals of the Brooklyn Philharmonic Society are to begin next week, although the first concert is not to come off till the 20th of December. The programme consists of Raff's "Forest" symphony, Beethoven's "Coriolanus" overture, Berlioz' "Queen Mab," and the orchestral arrangement of Liszt's Second Hungarian Rhapsody.

Mr. Theodore Thomas will introduce at his first Symphony Concert in this city on the 22d inst., a new violoncellist, Mr. Louis Lübeck, whom he has just engaged in St. Petersburg. Mr. Whitney will sing an aria from Bach's Matthæus Passion and Beethoven's "In questa tomba." The orchestral selections are Beethoven's "Consecration of the House" Overture, Schubert's great Symphony in C, Berlioz' "Queen Mab" scherzo, and a "Symphonic Introduction" of Svendsen's to the drama "Sigurd Slembe."

PERSONAL.

Prof. Goldwin Smith sailed for Europe yesterday in the steamship Russia.

Mrs. Westmoreland, formerly of Georgia, and now a resident of New-York, the author of the novels "Clifford Troup" and "Heart Hungry," will lecture at the Union League Theater at an early date on "Friends."

Boston evidently delights in honoring Charles Bradlaugh. An informal dinner was given to him by Mr. J. B. Smith on Saturday night, and among the guests were Senator Sumner, William Lloyd Garrison, ex-Gov. Emory Washburn, and others.

A movement is on foot in London to erect a monument to Oliver Goldsmith, the centenary of whose death occurs next year. At present he is only honored by a simple slab bearing his profile in Westminster Abbey.

Ernest Feydeau, the French writer, died on the 28th ult. He wrote several novels of a light character and founded an art journal, to which Madame Ratazzi, née Bonaparte, was a contributor. One of his romances, published in 1858, went through 16 editions in 10 months.

Mme. Rattazzi writes from Paris to the *Gazetta di Milano* that she has kept her husband's papers, and will follow the example of Mrs. Grote, by publishing, when her grief shall have somewhat subsided, a work entitled, "Rattazzi and His Time, by a Witness of the last Ten Years of His Life."

ANOTHER NEW COMET DISCOVERED.

ANNOUNCEMENT BY PROF. HENRY.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

SIR: A telegram to the Smithsonian Institution, from the Academy of Sciences, Vienna, announces the discovery of a faint comet, having a right ascension of 16 hours 4 minutes, and a declination north of 22° 6', moving south-west with a daily motion of 3°.

Washington, Nov. 12, 1873. JOSEPH HENRY.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

....Alderman Cicalla of Memphis was yesterday unanimously expelled from the Board for irregularities while acting as Mayor.

....Judge A. G. Miller of the U. S. District Court of Wisconsin, who was appointed by President Van Buren in 1838, has resigned.

....Amasa Sprague, of the firm of A. & W. Sprague, was married last evening in Providence to a daughter of the late Jerry Sprague, his cousin.

WASHINGTON.

CURRENT TOPICS AT THE CAPITAL.

SAVINGS BANK DISCLOSURES.

WASHINGTON, Wednesday, Nov. 12, 1873.

Congress at the last session directed the Controller of the Currency to prepare a report and submit it at the next session, on State banks and savings banks throughout the country. The work of preparing such a report has been going on all Summer, but with very unsatisfactory results. Trustworthy data relative to the subject have been received from only 11 out of the 37 States. The other States have declined to furnish information, or sent statements that were indefinite and therefore useless. The inquiry into the subject has developed the fact, however, that a majority of the so-called savings banks in the United States are not legitimate ones, according to the interpretation of Justice Davis of the Supreme Court of the United States, who held in effect that a savings bank was one without capital, and whose earnings should be applied to the benefit of its depositors. Reports from Pennsylvania show that out of the 35 savings banks in that State all but one based their business upon capital. New-England has responded to the call for information concerning her banks as fully as desired, and so also has New-York, with the exception of the trust companies. Such information concerning these banks as has been received will be fully prepared in a few weeks for transmission to Congress. It will be shown that the savings bank system is a good one if correctly carried out, but the fact will be presented that many brokers and "note-shavers" are carrying on what purports to be the business of a savings bank without being such in reality, as they in no way comply with the law governing such institutions.

OPERATIONS OF THE SIGNAL SERVICE.

The operations of the Signal Service during the past year have been very gratifying to the officers having charge of its supervision. It is thought its sphere can be enlarged to the benefit of the country, and Gen. Myer will ask Congress for liberal appropriations to bring this about. More stations at which observations can be made are needed. There are now about 78 in the United States, and additional ones are desired in the Far West. The most desirable points there, however, which the office is satisfied would be important ones on account of the heavy gales and storms which originate in those regions, are not obtainable, owing to the absence of telegraphic facilities. The office contemplates establishing three new stations in the West Indies next year, and additional ones will be added as soon as the English Telegraph Company completes its line from England, via the Bermudas and Azores, to the United States. Heretofore the money granted by Congress for this branch of the service has been for specific purposes, and no extension of the service such as would suggest itself to the officers in charge could be carried out for the want of money. Important improvements will be made next year if Congress will grant the necessary appropriations therefor.

A SENATORIAL VIEW OF THE FINANCIAL CRISIS.

Senator Scott of Pennsylvania, who will probably be continued as a member of the Finance Committee, was in town a day or two ago, and had conversations with the Secretary of the Treasury and other prominent gentlemen. He takes a gloomy view of the prospect, financially considered, and does not expect that Congress will be able to do anything to relieve the depressed condition of business. He says that views are so diverse on the financial question that it will be impossible for Congress to agree on anything. He thinks there will be an avalanche of schemes for relieving the stringency in the money market, and that these will be discussed without limit and without result. He does not believe that any measures of a financial character will be passed at all.

A GOVERNMENT LOAN THAT CANNOT BE PLACED.

It was stated at the Treasury Department to-day by a prominent officer that all hope of disposing of the remainder of the new loan at 4½ and 4 per cent, as contemplated by the Funding Act, was abandoned, and that the Secretary would ask Congress next session for authority to place the entire loan at 5 per cent.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

There is some delay in the appointment of the commission to investigate the charges against Commissioner Smith of the Indian Bureau on account of the declination of several of those prominently connected with Indian affairs to serve on the Commission. The Hon. Wm. E. Dodge of New-York and Felix R. Brunot of Pittsburgh are among those who have declined to serve. The Commissioner says that he is half inclined to regret his request for a committee of investigation, on account of the prominence given to the subject, which, he claims, originated in an attempt by persons in Minnesota to blackmail him.

James W. Knowlton, the Washington telegraphic correspondent of *The Chicago Tribune* for the past three years, died here to-night of congestion of the lungs. He was married only five months ago to the daughter of the Hon. A. G. Riddle, ex-member of Congress from Ohio, and, although only about 30 years of age, he was regarded by his associates as one of the ablest and most brilliant men in his profession. He was very popular among public men, and named among his intimate acquaintances many of the leading men of the country.

SCHOOL TEACHERS' SALARIES.

THE BOARD OF EDUCATION DECIDE UPON THE PAY OF THE PRINCIPALS AND ASSISTANTS.

A special meeting of the Board of Education was held yesterday, President Neilson presiding. The meeting was called to receive the estimates of the additional cost of maintaining the public schools in the three towns of Westchester County recently annexed to this city. The report of the Joint Committee on By-Laws and Finance relative to making provisions for the schools in Morrisania and West Farms was received. The estimates amount to $166,586, which includes $25,000 for repairs to school building in the annexed wards. The report was received, and a copy ordered to be forwarded to the Board of Aldermen, Board of Supervisors, and the Board of Estimate and Apportionment.

The Board then resolved itself into a Committee of the Whole, the President leaving the chair and calling Commissioner Beardslee to preside. The question of regulating teachers salaries was taken up and discussed. The following sections were adopted by the Committee, but have yet to be approved by the Board:

Male Principals—The annual salary to be paid to male principals shall not exceed $3,000 per year—the first year the salary to be $2,500, and to be increased $100 per year until the maximum salary is reached.

Male Vice-Principals—Maximum annual salary $2,500, beginning with $2,100 the first year, and increasing each year by an amount not exceeding $100, until the $2,500 is reached.

Male First Assistants—Maximum annual salary not to exceed $2,000, beginning with $1,600, and increasing $100 each year until $2,000 is reached.

All other male assistants, not to exceed four in number in any one school, shall be appointed at first on provisional licenses, with a salary not exceeding $1,000 per annum. On receiving a permanent license this may be increased to $1,200, and afterward $100 each year, until $1,500 is reached.

Female assistants with a permanent license shall receive $600 a year, and with a provisional license, $500 per year, the same to be increased $100 each year until $800 a year is reached.

Principals of Female Grammar Schools shall receive an annual salary of an amount not exceeding $2,000, beginning with $1,600 the first year, and increasing $100 annually until $2,000 is reached.

Vice-Principals of Female Grammar Schools shall receive an annual salary not exceeding $1,200, beginning with $1,100 the first year, and increasing $100 per year until the $1,500 is reached.

Assistants in Female Grammar Schools, having a permanent license, may be appointed at a salary not to exceed $600, but with provisional license at $500, which salary may be increased $100 per year until $800 is reached.

There was considerable discussion on the proposed increase in the female teachers' salaries; and finally the salaries of the female assistants were raised from $500 to $600 for the first year for those having a permanent license, and from $400 to $500 for those having a provisional license. The question of raising the salaries of principals of primary departments excited much debate. The salary is now $1,800, and it was proposed to raise it to $2,000 per year.

The Committee then dissolved, and the Board reassembled again, President Neilson in the chair, and received the report of the Chairman of the Committee of the Whole. A communication was received from the Secretary of the Board of Education in West Farms, stating that there were several mortgages, amounting to $50,000, on the school buildings in that district, and inviting the Board to visit the new wards and inspect the same; also, a letter from the Kingsbridge Board, inviting the Board to visit the schools in that district. Two thousand dollars was appropriated to the Nautical School.

METHODIST MISSIONARY WORK.

APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE FOREIGN FIELDS—EFFECTS OF THE FINANCIAL STRINGENCY.

The annual meeting of the Missionary Committee of the Methodist Episcopal Church was begun yesterday morning at No. 805 Broadway. Bishop Janes presided, and the session was opened with brief religious services, conducted by the Rev. S. Meredith of Troy. Among those present were Bishops Edward R. Ames, Thomas Bowman, Levi Scott, Isaac W. Wiley, Stephen W. Merrill, Edward G. Andrews, Gilbert Haven, and Jesse L. Peck. Besides these were the Rev. C. D. Foss, D. D.; the Rev. S. D. Brown, D. D.; the Rev. A. S. Hunt, D. D.; the Rev. M. D. C. Crawford, D. D., and many others. The Treasurer's report stated that the receipts during the year ending Oct. 31 from Eastern Conferences amounted to $453,213 32; from the Western, $227,623 32; total, $680,836 64—an increase of $19,780 04 over the receipts of the previous year. The balance in the treasury on Nov. 1 was $42,053 80, the disbursements having been $725,169 03. The treasury is in debt at New York $19,711 36. The Corresponding Secretary's report stated that the disbursements for the past year exceeded those of the previous year. The missionary for Africa recommended the appropriation of $17,000 for that field of labor which shall include Liberia and Intro-Africa. The appropriation gave rise to an earnest debate, in which Drs. Curry, Peck, Rothweiler, and others took part. The Secretary, Dr. Reid, recommended that the question be divided, and that the Liberian Mission be decided separately. The proposition of the Committee was to increase the appropriation of last year for Liberia by $500, making a total of $9,500. This, after a brief discussion, was adopted, and the discussion on the Intro-African Mission was taken up. The Treasurer said that the condition of the treasury did not warrant any great outlay in this direction. Indeed he believed that the outstanding debt would be increased to $130,000 by the close of next January, and in view of the hard times he expected little coöperation from the churches. Dr. Curry was in favor of making a larger appropriation for the work, and in this he was supported by Bishop Peck. Here Dr. Reid, to demonstrate the utter uselessness of attempting to do anything in conjunction with the Liberian Mission, pointed out the geographical disadvantages of the adjacent country and the severity of its climate. Dr. Curry added to this explanation a few words of description which rendered the prospect a still less encouraging one, and after further debate the same speaker's motion to lay the subject on the table for future consideration was adopted.

Dr. Reid, the Corresponding Secretary, then read the following recommendations of the Sub-Committee on South American Missions: For English work at Buenos Ayres, $1,500; for Spanish, $1,150; at Rosario, $2,200; at Montevideo, $2,400, and contingent for debts of mission, $3,500; total, $10,750. Dr. Curry moved to appropriate $10,750 in gold for the South American Mission, all of it contingent on the concurrent action of the Board and the bishop having charge of the mission. This was adopted. The rate of exchange for all missions for the coming year was fixed at 20 per cent.

The Secretary next read the report from the Sub-Committee on the China Mission, which recommended an appropriation of a small sum for educational purposes at the Foochow Mission, an increase of salaries, an absolute appropriation of $17,318, and a contingent sum of $4,294. At this point a recess was taken, and the body went to the Grand Central Hotel, where lunch had been provided them. After recess the sums asked for were given. The appropriations for the Kinkiang Mission were then discussed. The Sub-Committee recommended an absolute appropriation of $15,612 and a contingent one of $5,000, making $20,612, which was adopted. For the Peking Mission the Sub-Committee recommended an absolute appropriation of $13,767 and a contingent one of $3,500. This was also adopted.

The Rev. K. L. Dashiell, one of the corresponding secretaries, stated that it had been the idea of the Committee in recommending these appropriations to ask for $750,000 absolutely and $100,000 conditionally. Bishop Ames was not in favor of considering the contingent appropriations just now, but had faith in the capacity of the country to go through the present monetary crisis most successfully, because he was fully aware from personal observation that the country is richer to-day than it ever was before. The Committee resolved to pass upon absolute and contingent appropriations simultaneously.

The recommendation of the sub-committee to appropriate $10,000 for the Canton Mission was laid over for further consideration. The Rev. S. Meredith moved that the salaries of the missionaries in China be increased to the amount they really need.

Bishop Wiley moved, as a substitute, that the matter be referred to the Board of Managers for careful investigation. He honestly believed that the increase was needed, but in view of the present condition of things in this country, immediate action by the committee would be injudicious. Bishop Wiley's substitute prevailed. The sub-committee's recommendation to appropriate $26,000 in gold for the Germany and Switzerland Mission, and $1,000 for the English-speaking service in Berlin, was approved. The Sub-Committee on the Scandinavian Mission to Denmark recommended an absolute appropriation of $7,108 92 and $504 for new work. The Committee granted the appropriation. An appropriation of $10,000 was asked for Norway. For the Swedish branch of the mission the Committee approved an appropriation of $23,700 for salaries, and then adjourned until this morning.

THE INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION.

ARGUMENTS ON BOTH SIDES REVIEWED.

The Special Committee appointed by the Board of Assistant Aldermen to hear remarks in favor of or in opposition to the proposed loan of $2,500,000 to the Industrial Exhibition Company continued their session yesterday, and as on the previous day a large number of persons were present, all of whom seemed to be in favor of the scheme.

It was urged by one speaker that although thousands and millions of dollars had been expended at Vienna the Exhibition was a dead failure, and that the organization of a permanent Exhibition was one of the wildest schemes ever started in the city. The erection of a Crystal Palace would probably cause the ruin of all the other institutions. Again, the Centennial Exhibition to be held at Philadelphia in 1876 was the one to which all citizens of America should give their support. Some thought New-York ought to have been the place for it, but historically Philadelphia was the place. To-day the city owes, after deducting the Sinking Fund and the assessment bonds, no less than $107,000,000, which is equivalent to 10 per cent on the whole taxable property of the City and County of New-York. There is Central Park, for instance, without a wall and with not a single gate. The museum, botanical gardens, hothouses, are all yet to be built. Then there are Riverside and Morningside Parks, the Museum of Natural History, and the annexation of three towns in Westchester will make it necessary to have 100 miles of streets and avenues opened. Then there are the contemplated improvements on the Harlem River, the bulkhead line, the stone piers and docks, the new court-house, new city prison, and other places, all of which are needed and ordered to be done by law. He thought that these improvements would cost at least $100,000,000, making the city debt over $200,000,000. The intended loan was a scheme to carry on a private enterprise in which no merchant would invest his capital.

George A. C. Barnett asked if Mr. Strahan was present, and if he had anything further to say regarding his statement made on Tuesday. Mr. Strahan replied, "No; but it is all true." Mr. Barnett then said that as a director of the Company, and as one knowing the facts of the case, he must say that the statements made by Mr. Strahan were in the main incorrect, and that the Company could begin work as soon as the money was furnished; and further, the Company had already paid $200,000 of the purchase money. He read extracts from the Mayor's communication to the Board of Aldermen, and said the statements were false, and the Mayor had no right to charge the directors of the Company with being swindlers.

Mr. Strahan replied that in placing the facts as he had done before the Committee, the Mayor only wished to discharge his honest duty to the people. If there was any question, the Mayor demanded a strict investigation where the official papers could be produced and witnesses examined. He had said nothing that could not be proved.

Theodore E. Tomlinson made an address in behalf of the Company. Mr. Dodge thought that the site for the exhibition was too far up town, and the price—$7,000 per lot—far above the real value.

Eugene Beebe, a real estate dealer, thought that the land was worth $7,000 per lot, or even more. James Boyd, a resident of Harlem, spoke in favor of the project.

James Connolly asked if the Committee would hear the views of the workingmen on the subject. He said a mass meeting would be held at Tammany Hall on Saturday evening, when the subject would be discussed, and a committee appointed to attend the next session of the Aldermanic Committee. The Chairman replied that they would be pleased to receive the workingmen next Tuesday.

Mayor Havemeyer said yesterday that the Company had brought forward his letter accepting the position of director on Nov. 27, 1872. He said in explanation of this that at that time he was approached by some one who favored the scheme, and he accepted the position of director, thinking that the Exhibition building would be erected with private capital. But since they asked for a large loan from the city he thought the whole matter was a swindle, and he would endeavor to save the city's money at all hazards. He states that he has proofs that the work cannot be begun for a year, and that the sum required for the land is much too large. He will fight the matter as long as he can, and he thinks that evidence will soon be given which will satisfy all that the scheme is not a genuine one.

WORKINGMEN'S PROSPECTS.

THE EMPLOYES OF THE CITY RAILROADS UNMOLESTED.

The officers of several city railroad companies were visited yesterday by a TRIBUNE reporter for the purpose of ascertaining what changes, if any, had been made necessary by the late financial disturbances, and also what changes are likely to be made in the future, especially with reference to the employés.

The Sixth-ave. line, employing 450 men, has made no reduction either in number of hands or amount of wages. This is also the case with the Eighth-ave. line, which employs about 600 men. The Ninth-ave. line, employing about 100 men, have made no changes yet, although they found it necessary to discharge several men at this time last year.

The Tenth-ave. line, on which 300 men are employed, have not discharged an employé, but a reduction of 15 per cent has been made in the pay of their shoers and carpenters. The former consented to the reduction, and are at work, but the latter resisted, and are now on strike.

The Forty-second-st. and Grand-st. Ferry Railroad Company have found business somewhat slack of late, but, unless the falling off becomes more serious, it will not reduce its force. The wages of their shoers have been reduced 15 per cent. They feel the effects of the hard times especially on their early morning rides, which are much less