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ADVERTISEMENTS RENEWED EVERY DAY.

POLITICAL.

POLITICAL.—THE MEMBERS OF LODGE NO. 10, IN favor of Sam Houston for the Presidency, will meet at the usual rendezvous this evening, at 8 o'clock.

POLITICAL.—THE ASSOCIATES OF LODGE NO. 5 for Sam Houston, will meet to-night on business of great importance. Time, 8½ o'clock, at the corner place of meeting.

POLITICAL.—THE ASSOCIATES OF THE GEORGE Law Association No. 12 will meet to-night at the head quarters, precisely at 8 o'clock, on business of importance. Virginia and South Carolina will be present.

PERSONAL.

IF THE GENTLEMAN, WHO BY MISTAKE ON SUNday morning, at the Trinity Church, took a Genin hat, marked H. A. T., will call at 55 Murray street, third floor, he will confer a favor and get his own hat.

INFORMATION WANTED—OF HENRY YATES, seaman, about thirty years of age, dark complexion and dark hair; last seen on board the Star of the West, bound for Panama, about thirteen months ago. Any information directed to his wife, Mary Yates, to box 297 New Haven Post Office, will be gratefully received.

NILS BRYGGER, A NATIVE OF SWEDEN, MAY HEAR of something to his advantage by calling at the Swedish and Norwegian Consulate, New York. Any information regarding him will be thankfully received at the Consulate.

LECTURES.

LECTURES ON EUROPE.—DR. BAIRD GIVES A supplementary lecture to-night, in the Spingler Institute, Union square, at 7½ o'clock, on "Switzerland, Holland, Sweden and Spain"—containing brief historical sketches of these countries. Admission, 25 cents.

THE TRADES, &C.

AS LADIES' HAIR DRESSER—FOR ONE DOLLAR and twelve shillings a week. M. MILES, 904 Broadway, between Twentieth and Twenty first streets.

BURNISHERS WANTED—A NUMBER OF GIRLS, who can produce satisfactory testimonials as to capability, &c., will find employment by applying at 23 Elm st.

GARDENER WANTED—AN UNMARRIED MAN, WHO is a good vegetable gardener and understands the care of a horse; one possessing some knowledge of green house plants preferred. Apply at 39 Nassau st., corner of Liberty.

CUTTER'S SITUATION WANTED—BY A COMPETENT person, who has been employed by the best custom and Southern houses in the city for the last nine years. Unexceptionable references given. Would not object to go to the country. Address R. K., Herald office.

PAINTERS WANTED—TWO OR THREE GOOD HOUSE painters. Apply to R. CRAWFORD, 3rd avenue, 127th and 128th str., Harlem.

WHOLESALE CLOTHING.—FOREMAN WANTED, IN the manufacturing department. To a No. 1 man in this profession, good encouragement will be given. No other need apply. Address, with particulars, for one week, box 1,618 Post Office.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A RESPECTABLE young man, as gardener and coachman; has a good knowledge of the business. Address W. K., Herald office.

WANTED—A MAN SCIENTIFICALLY AND PRACTIcally acquainted with the process of cleansing, washing and drying white or china clay. None need apply, unless thoroughly acquainted with the business, and by such, a good situation may be obtained. Apply to BRITTON & ELY, 37 Wall street.

THE TURF.

RED HOUSE, HARLEM.—THIS FASHIONABLE RESort is now complete in all its appointments, and the sales stables attached are constantly filled with the finest and fastest horses to be found. Persons in want of horses can always be supplied at the Red House. The trotting track is in splendid order, and trotting matches occur every fine afternoon. The Second Avenue cars pass the door every five minutes.

UNION COURSE, L. I.—TROTTING—A PURSE OF $50, free for all horses that never won a purse over $50; mile heats, best three in five, in harness; to come off on Thursday, April 26. Entries to close on Monday, April 23, at 9 o'clock P. M., at Falkland & Duryee's, corner of East Broadway and Catherine street.
SHAW & WHITE, Proprietors.

DANCING ACADEMIES.

DANCING.—L. DE G. BROOKE'S, 361 BROOME street. All the fashionable dances taught in one course of lessons. Private lessons at various hours. The closing soiree for this season will take place Wednesday evening, April 26.

REWARDS.

$100 REWARD.—STOLEN FROM THE PREMISES of the subscribers, on the night of the 16th-17th inst., 82 pieces of white China poncee silks. $100 reward will be paid for the recovery of the same.
CARY & CO., 99 Pine street.

$25 REWARD.—DOG LOST OR STOLEN—ON 10TH inst., a large, heavy built, tawny colored Scotch terrier, trimmed to resemble a lion, and answering to the name of "Nipper." If stolen, $25 will be paid on conviction of the thief and return of the dog, or $10 for the dog, and no questions asked, at No. 31 Market street.

$25 REWARD—STOLEN ON SUNDAY, APRIL 22D, in St. James' Church, Brooklyn, a gold watch, with initials S. W. & S., No. 9,401, 18 carats, with crown above and 5 under. All persons are forbid receiving the said watch, and pawnbrokers are requested to stop the same if offered for sale. The above reward will be paid by applying to JOHN GARDNER, corner of Navy and High streets.

$20 REWARD.—IF THE PERSON WHO APPROpriated my watch and chain from 173 Hudson street, or has pledged the same, will return the watch or ticket, by post, he will receive the above reward.
T. D. H. JANVIER.

$10 REWARD.—STOLEN, FROM FOOT OF SPRING street, on Saturday, April 21, a small row-boat, painted white, red stripe, inside flesh color, lead and green thwarts, board lead color bottom. The above reward will be paid for the boat, or for any information leading to its recovery. Apply to Wm. Roberts, foot of Spring street.

$5 REWARD.—LOST, ON THE 17TH INST., FROM 68 Oliver street, a small black and tan terrier dog, answers to the name of Swan, a white spot on the breast, and a tan spot above each eye. The finder will receive the above reward, and no questions asked.
JAMES WM. REED.

TWENTY DOLLARS REWARD WILL BE PAID BY the undersigned on conviction of the thief who stole a light claker built boat painted black outside, white inside, 20 feet by about 4, from the shore facing John Silvy's house, Vanderbilt's landing, Staten Island, during the night of the 20th inst. W. H. NEWMAN & CO., No. 4 Hanover building.

LOST AND FOUND.

FOUND—A GOAT STRAYED TO THE HOUSE NO. 19 Rector street. The owner can recover it by proving property and paying expenses. WILLIAM BURKLE.

LOST OR MISLAID—A CHECK ON THE HUDSON County Bank, Jersey City, drawn by George Crooby, and dated April 21, 1855. All persons are cautioned against negotiating said check, as payment of the same has been stopped.

STOLEN ON THURSDAY, APRIL 19TH, INST., FROM Pier No. 1 North river, corner of Battery place, one twenty foot boat, painted dark lead color. Branded in stern of the boat, C Thomas. Whoever will return the said boat, or give information where it can be found, will be liberally rewarded by F. D. Bigelow, No. 1 Washington street.

THE ROOM OCCUPIED BY THE FRENCH LODGE, La Sincerite, at 63½ Christie street, was entered last week and the regalias, jewels, books, &c., &c., belonging to the same lodge, were stolen. The members desire to get the above said property without trouble, and will pay for its restitution rather than prosecute. By replacing all the objects, or sending a word to the address of Committee of Investigation, Box 129 Herald office, the things will be taken and a reward given immediately, without any questions being asked.

REMOVAL.

JOSEPH LEE, MERCHANT TAILOR—HAS REMOVED from 315 Broadway to Gilsey's Buildings 169 Broadway.

PIANOFORTES—REMOVAL—J. & D. WALKER have removed their business to the spacious warerooms under the Mercantile Library, fronting on Astor place and Eighth street, a few doors from Broadway, where will be kept for sale an extensive assortment of new and second-hand pianofortes, by various New York and Boston makers, including those of their own manufacture; also, a large stock of bendoir, Piccolo and horizontal pianos for hire. Pianofortes received for sale on commission.

REMOVAL.—F. & T. DAVIS BEG LEAVE TO INFORM their patrons and friends that they have removed their furniture establishment from 53 Ann street, to 104 Spring street, under the St. Nicholas Hotel, and that they have greatly added to their stock of superb parlor, dining room and chamber furniture. They take this opportunity to invite the public to give them a call, and also to thank their patrons for past favors.

REMOVAL.—HOLMES & BUTLER'S ALUM PATENT safe depot has been removed to Nos. 90 and 92 Maiden lane, (below Liberty,) where an assortment of their new patent alum-filled safes may be seen, as well as the original safe made by them, which received the first and only medal at the great Crystal Palace test of twenty four hours, in 1853. N. B.—A written warrantee of dryness given with each safe.

SPORTING, &C.

FOR SALE—A BEAUTIFUL BLACK WATCH DOG. Apply at 165 Prince street, in the basement.

FOR SALE—AN UNUSUALLY LARGE AND FINE Newfoundland dog. Apply to PETER THOMPSON, 42 Beekman street.

FOR SALE—ONE OF THE BEST WATCH DOGS IN New York; price $25. Sold for want of use. Can be seen at 290 Second street.

FOR SALE, CHEAP—TWO SPLENDID MOCKING Birds, two years old, in full song; one of them warranted to sing nicely during summer. Inquire at Mr. McGuire's grocery store, southwest corner of Seventh street and First avenue.

PROPOSALS.

PROPOSALS FOR GRADING THE MESEROLE FARM at Green Point, King's county, L. I.—Sealed proposals will be received for reducing to a proper grade (10 11ths) ten elevenths of the above farm, containing about (173,000) one hundred and seventy-three thousand cubic yards of excavation. Proposals to state the price per cubic yard for the work. The grade maps, &c., can be seen at the residence of B. U. Shreve, corner of Union and First streets, on said premises, where proposals will be received until the 30th inst.
WM. MARSHALL,
WM. BRANCH,
B. U. SHREVE, } Commissioners.
GREEN POINT, April 20, 1855.

IMPOSING RELIGIOUS CEREMONY.

Consecration of a new Catholic Bishop, the Right Reverend Doctor Bacon, Bishop of Portland, Me.—Sermon of Bishop McCloskey, of Albany.

St. Patrick's Cathedral was yesterday the scene of one of the most solemn ceremonies of the Catholic Church. It was known for several weeks that the Rev. Dr. Bacon had been appointed Bishop of Portland, Me., and as his consecration was to take place yesterday, the church was crowded to its utmost extent. Nothing was wanting that could add to the impressive character of the rites; the rich and magnificent dresses of the bishops and the officiating clergy, the subdued yet earnest interest of the congregation, the solemn and sacred service of the mass—these, added to the music of one of the finest choirs in the city, rendered the consecration—apart from its purely religious character—one of the finest sights we have ever witnessed. As the occasion was one of more than usual interest we give the full details of the ceremony. The following are the names of the bishops and officiating clergy:—

Archbishop Hughes, consecrator. Right Rev. Drs. Loughlin, of Brooklyn; Bayley of Newark; Fitzpatrick, of Boston; McCloskey, of Albany; and Right Rev. Dr. Bacon; Very Rev. Wm Starrs, vicar-general of St. Patrick's, assisting priest; Rev. Thos. S. Preston, deacon; Rev. John Barry, sub deacon; Rev. Francis McNierney, master of ceremonies; Very Rev. Michael McCarron, vicar-general, and Rev. Wm. Quinn, deacons of honor, besides several other assisting clergymen.

The consecration commenced at eleven o'clock, at which hour the consecrator, the bishop-elect, the assistant bishops and officiating clergy, entered the church from the vestry, and proceeded to the main altar, where the consecrator was vested, the bishop-elect and the assistant bishops vesting at the side altar.

All being prepared, and the consecrator seated before the middle of the altar, the elect advanced between the assistant bishops, saluted the consecrator, and took his seat opposite to him. After a few minutes they rose, and the senior of the assistant bishops, turning towards the consecrator, said:—

Most Reverend Father, our Holy Mother, the Catholic Church, begs of you to raise this priest, who is here present, to the burden of the episcopacy

The consecrator asked—"Have you an apostolical mandate?"

The senior prelate—"We have."

The consecrator—"Let it be read."

The consecrator's notary received the apostolical mandate and read it. At its close, the consecrator said—"Deo Gratias"—(God be thanked)

The Bishop elect then knelt, and read

THE OATH.

I, N., elect of the church of N., shall, from this hour, henceforward, be obedient to blessed Peter, the Apostle, and to the Holy Roman Church, and to the most blessed father, Pope Pius IX., and to his successors canonically chosen. I shall assist them to retain and defend against any man whatever the Roman Pontificate, without prejudice to my rank. I shall take care to preserve, defend, and promote the rights, honors, privileges and authority of the holy Roman Church, of the Pope and of his successors, as aforesaid. With my whole strength I shall observe, and cause to be observed by others, the rules of the holy fathers, the decrees, ordinances, or dispositions and mandates of the Apostolical See. When called to a synod, I shall come, unless I be prevented by a canonical impediment. I shall personally visit the Apostolic See once every ten years, and render an account to our most blessed father (the Pope) and his successors, as aforesaid, of my whole pastoral office, and of every thing in any way appertaining to the state of my church, to the discipline of the clergy and people, and to the salvation of the souls committed to my care; and I shall humbly receive, in return, the apostolic mandates, and most diligently execute them. But if I be prevented by a lawful impediment, I shall perform all the things aforesaid by a certain messenger especially authorized for this purpose, a priest of the diocess, or by some other secular or regular priest of tried virtue and piety, well instructed on all the above subjects. I shall not sell nor give away, nor mortgage, enfeoff anew, nor in any way alienate the possessions belonging to my table, without the leave of the Roman Pontiff. And should I proceed to any alienation of them, I am willing to contract, by the very fact, the penalties specified in the constitution published on this subject.

After the oath the consecrator held with both hands the Book of the Gospels open on his lap, and received the oath from the elect, who, kneeling, also placed both hands upon the book, and said:—

So may God help me, and these holy gospels of God.

The bishop elect and the assistant bishops then took their seats, and while the consecrator reads aloud the Examen, the assistant bishops accompanied his words in a low voice.

The concluding questions were answered by the bishop elect. "Ita ex tota corde, volo in omnibus consentire et obedire."

Wilt thou, beloved brother, teach the people by word and example those things which thou hast learned from the sacred Scriptures? Ans. I will.

Wilt thou receive with veneration, and teach, and observe the traditions of the orthodox Fathers, and the decrees and constitutions of the Holy Apostolic See? Ans. I will.

Wilt thou show in all things faithfulness, submission and obedience according to the canons of the Blessed Apostle Peter, to whom God gave the power of binding and loosing, and to his Vicar Pius IX., and his successors, the Roman Pontiffs? Ans. I will.

Wilt thou endeavor, with the divine assistance, to refrain from all evil, and turn to all good? Ans. I will.

Wilt thou, with God's aid, keep and teach chastity and sobriety? Ans. I will.

Wilt thou devote thyself always to the divine service, and as far as human weakness allows, keep aloof from earthly engagements and sordid gains? Ans. I will.

Wilt thou practise in thine own person, and teach others to practise, humility and patience? Ans. I will.

Wilt thou, for the name of the Lord, be affable and merciful to the poor, to travellers, and to all the needy? Ans. I will.

Here the consecrator said:—"May the Lord grant thee these and all other good things, and guard and strengthen thee in all goodness." And all together answered:—"Amen."

Here followed the interrogations concerning the profession of faith of the bishop elect, to which he answered:—"I assent; and in all these things I believe."

At the conclusion of the Examen the consecrator said:—"May thy faith be increased by the Lord unto true and eternal blessedness, beloved brother, in Christ." And all answered:—"Amen."

The assistant bishops escorted the bishop elect to the side altar where he took off his coat, put sandals on his feet, received the cross, tunic, dalmatic, chasible and maniple. Thus vested, he read mass at the principal altar.

The consecrator sat before the middle of the altar, and the bishop elect and the assistant bishops approaching and saluting him, took their seats as before.

The consecrator turned towards the bishop elect, and said:—

It behooves a bishop to judge, interpret, consecrate, ordain, offer, baptise and confirm. Let us pray, beloved brethren, that the goodness of the Almighty God, looking to the usefulness of his church, bestow upon this elect abundance of his grace, through Christ, our Lord. Amen.

The Litanies were now chanted.

At the words *ut omnibus*, the consecrator stood up, and, holding his crozier, turned to the elect, and chanted—

That thou deign, O Lord, to bless the chosen one here present, we beseech Thee to hear us.

This was repeated three times, and at each of the words the consecrator and all the assistant bishops made the sign of the cross over the bishop elect.

The Litanies were now continued, and at the end of them, the consecrator, having the bishop elect kneeling before him, took the Book of the Gospels, and he, together with the assistant bishops, placed it wide open over the head and shoulders of the bishop elect. After this, the consecrator and the assistant bishops imposed their hands upon the head of the bishop elect, saying, "Receive the Holy Ghost."

The "Veni Creator" was sung to invoke the light of the Holy Ghost, and the consecrator prepared to anoint the elect. The first verse of the "Veni Creator" ended, he anointed the head of the elect, saying:—

May thy head be anointed and consecrated with heavenly blessing, in the Pontifical order, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. Amen. Peace be with thee. Ans.—And with thy spirit.

While the choir sung the Antiphon, the consecrator anointed the hands of the elect, saying:—

May these hands be anointed with blessed oil and the chrism of sanctification, as Samuel anointed David, King and Prophet, so may they be anointed and consecrated, in the name of God the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost, making the likeness of the sacred cross of our Saviour Jesus Christ, who hath redeemed us from death and hath brought us to the Kingdom of Heaven. Hear us, O merciful Father Almighty, and grant that we may obtain what we ask of thee; through the same Christ, our Lord, Amen.

The consecrator read:—

May God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath willed that he be raised to the dignity of a bishop, thoroughly anoint thee with chrism and mystical ointment, and enrich thee with the fulness of spiritual benediction; whatsoever thou mayest bless, may it be blessed; whatsoever thou mayest sanctify, may it be sanctified, and may the imposition of this anointed hand or thumb be profitable unto all for salvation. Amen.

The consecrator presented the crozier to the consecrated, saying:—

Receive the staff of the pastoral office, that thou mayest be mercifully severe in correcting vice, in fostering virtue by soothing the minds of thy hearers, in not leaving aside censure in the calmness of severity. Amen.

He next placed the Episcopal ring on the annular finger of the consecrated, saying:—

Take this ring as a token of fidelity, so that being gifted with inviolate faith, thou mayest guard the spouse of Christ—his holy church.

He then took the Book of the Gospels from the shoulders of the consecrated, and, together with the assistant bishops, handed it closed to the consecrated, who touched it the consecrator at the time saying:—

Receive the gospel, go preach to the people committed to thy care, for God is powerful, that he may increase his grace in thy behalf—Who lives and reigns for ever. Amen.

The consecrator and the assistant bishops now received the consecrated to the kiss of peace; after which he returned with the assistant bishops to his chapel, where he continued the mass to the offertory. The consecrator, in like manner, continued the mass.

The consecrator seated before the altar, the consecrated attended by the assistant bishops, presented himself, knelt before the consecrator, and offered him two lighted torches, two loaves, and two little casks of wine, then kissed the consecrator's hand.

The consecrator and the consecrated now continued the mass at the same altar, the latter at the epistle side.

The mass was said as usual as far as the benediction given by the consecrator.

The consecrator now placed the mitre upon the head of the new bishop, saying:—

We place, O Lord, upon the head of this thy prelate and soldier the helmet of protection and salvation, so that, with decorated face and armed head, he may, with the horns of both Testaments, appear terrible to the foes of truth; and that he may be a stout assailant of them, whilst thou bestowest thy grace upon him; who didst adorn with most effulgent horns of thine own brightness and truth, the face of thy servant Moses, which had been made most beautiful by frequent intercourse with thee; and didst command that a mitre should be placed upon the head of Aaron, thy High Priest; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

He then placed the gloves upon the hands of the consecrated, saying:—

Entompass, O Lord, the hands of this thy minister, with the cleanliness of a new man, who descended from Heaven; and, as thy beloved Jacob, having covered his hands with the skin of the kid, and offered to his father most grateful meat and drink, obtained the paternal blessing, so may this thy servant, who has offered the saving host, deserve to obtain the blessing of thy grace; through our Lord Jesus Christ, thy Son, who, in the likeness of the flesh of sin, offered himself to thee for us. Amen.

The consecrator here rose and took the consecrated by the right hand, the senior assistant taking him by the left, and both enthroned him in the seat from which the consecrator rose.

The consecrator placed the crozier in the left hand of the consecrated, and turning toward the altar, intoned the *Te Deum*.

After the "*Te Deum*" was commenced the assistant bishops led the consecrated through the church, who gave his blessing to the people kneeling to receive it.

When all returned to the sanctuary, and the *Te Deum* being finished, the consecrator sung the Antiphon "Firmetur manus tua," and then said—

Domine exaudi orationem meam. Ans. Et clamor meus ad te veniat. Dominus vobiscum. Ans: Et cum Spiritu tuo. Oremus. Deus omnium Fidelium.

The consecrated went to the middle of the altar and gave his blessing.

After which he went to the epistle side of the altar, knelt and chanted "Ad multos annos," then advancing to the middle of the altar repeated "Ad multos annos," again, at the feet of the consecrator, he repeated the same words; and, as he rose, he received the kiss of peace from the consecrator, as also did the assistant bishops, accompanied by whom he went to the side chapel, where he read the Gospel according to St. John, the consecrator reading the same Gospel at his own altar.

This concluded the ceremony of the consecration.

THE SERMON.

During an interval in the ceremony of consecration, the Right Rev. Dr. McCloskey ascended the pulpit, and delivered one of the most eloquent discourses to which we have ever listened on the divine origin of the Episcopacy. He took his text from the 10th chapter of St. John, from the 11th to the 16th verse inclusive:—

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd giveth his life for his sheep.

But the hireling and he that is not the shepherd whose own the sheep are not, seeth the wolf coming and leaveth the sheep, and flieth; and the wolf catcheth, and scattereth the sheep:

And the hireling flieth, because he is a hireling; and he hath no care for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd; and I know mine, and mine know me.

As the Father knoweth me, and I know the Father: and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And other sheep I have that are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice, and there shall be one fold and one shepherd

Words could not be chosen, my brethren, said the venerable preacher, more appropriate to the present interesting and solemn occasion, than those which the church proposes for our special instruction in the Gospel of this Sunday. We have here set before us in the character and person of our blessed Lord and Saviour, the sublime and perfect model of all true Episcopacy, its own great and divine original, the first and highest source whence all its dignity, and all its holiness, and all its power must be and are derived. Thrice our Lord declares himself to be by excellence the good shepherd, for the plenitude of all spiritual pastorship resides in him: to him belongs pre eminently the attribute of good in that he has been willing to lay down his life for his sheep. He is the good shepherd, and he is also the one shepherd, and, as already said, to him belongs the plenitude of pastorship. None can have share therein save those who have been thereto ordained by himself; none can feed his fold save those whom he has commissioned; none can assume to themselves the honor unless they have been called of God, and however many they may be whom he may be pleased for the work of his ministry to associate unto himself, their powers are derived from him, and always in such way as that they shall ever be reflected back upon the principal of their unity. He is the one shepherd over the one fold—unity in the pastorship and unity in the flock; and this unity is again founded upon the principle of a common faith, of a common obedience, and a common love. I know my sheep, and my sheep know me, and they hear my voice, and "other sheep I have that are not of this fold." Not they only are to be called who are of a special nation, or a peculiar people, but they shall be called from all nations and from all peoples and tongues, and however widely scattered, however distant the parts from which they shall be brought, there shall not be many folds, but one fold. Here, then, we have portrayed to us in brief and simple words a full and perfect picture of the Church of Jesus Christ on earth. In order that you may understand how all this is applicable to the present time and occasion, how it is applicable to the very scene and ceremony that has passed before your eyes, it behoves us to show that there exists an immediate connection between the office and authority that has been this day been both exercised and confirmed and that of Jesus Christ himself—to show that the newly consecrated Bishop now becomes associated in the pastorship by virtue of the communion which he holds in common with other Bishops throughout the world, and with the great see of Peter. Peter having derived the plenitude of Episcopacy and the office of the visible one shepherd from Jesus Christ himself. It behoves us furthermore to show you how the people are also members of that fold, being united with the Bishop, and he being united with Peter, and Peter being immediately the representative of Christ himself; so we shall have the consolation to know and feel that we are of that one fold under the one shepherd. You perceive at once how important is the consideration placed before you; this being once proved all is proved, this failing all must fail. If it be shown that all the power which is conferred this day has been derived from Jesus Christ himself, then is the legitimacy of that office and the authority of that pastorship unquestioned; then is the commission which he receives, not a human, but a divine commission; then is the work which you have behold, not a merely human, but a divine work; and then that voice to which you shall listen, shall not simply be the voice of man, but the voice of God, speaking to you through this human agency, fulfilling his words. If this cannot be shown, if this commission is not divine, neither talent, learning, virtue, nor qualities of any kind will avail aught to supply its place. Neither the favor of men nor the voice of the people can confer that which originally belonged to Christ himself—can give that they never received—the pastorship which belonged originally to Christ That unity must be and is an essential characteristic of the church of God, must be already, beloved brethren, sufficiently clear to you even from the very words of the Gospel just cited; but further and additional testimony, was it needed, could be adduced in rich abundance from the same divine and inspired source, for we will find that church likened not only to a sheepfold under one shepherd, but likened also to a city, again to a kingdom, then to a household, and then to a body, where all the members are together, actuated and controlled by one common head, receiving life and strength from one common heart. And in all these similitudes the idea is expressly conveyed to us of visible unity in the body and the necessity of a visible head. Conceive to yourselves a household without a father, a constituted well organized State without its Governor, a kingdom without its king, a living body without its head—conceive, in a word, to yourselves, duty, or order, or harmony, or strength, where that principle of unity is wanting: conceive to yourselves a nation composed as many States without one head; conceive in our own republic, composed as it is of many States separate and independent under their own individual Governors, without one common head which would act as a centre and a bond, and a controlling influence for all. Take away that centre, that head, and the States and Governors remain no longer one republic, one great nation. If we cannot conceive this unity, therefore, wanting in the works of man, how can we conceive it wanting in the church of God—even in that great work, His own divine church? As he himself was not always to remain the visible and living head of that church on earth, it was essential that when he should be taken from it he should provide for the perpetuation and preservation of that character of unity which, of necessity, he had stamped upon it; that the very apostles whom he chose, scattered as they would be among the nations of the earth, should never forget the oneness of their mission; that when their visible head, Christ, should be taken from them, there should one remain to represent him and who should be the head of all. Therefore did he take one of them apart from the rest, and in addition to the powers he had conferred upon him in common with the others convey them in their plentitude upon him Peter was the one chosen to be the visible shepherd of the one great flock. When he was chosen, his Master told him he was Simon, but should one day be called Peter, giving him notice that there should be a change of name; and you will observe the name is not changed in scripture unless there is an office given with it implying the trust which is imparted. One day, walking with these same Apostles, near Cessrea, he says to them, Whom do men say I am, and they answered, some say the Baptist, some Elias, others Jeremias, or one of the prophets. But who do you say I am, he said, addressing Peter, and he answering said, "Thou art Christ, the son of the living God." The Saviour, turning to him, said, "Blessed art thou, Simon Bar Jona, because flesh and blood have not revealed it to you, but my Father who is in heaven. I say to you thou art Peter"—which means a rock—"and upon this rock I build my church, and the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. I will give to thee the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatsoever thou shalt find upon earth shall be found also in heaven, and whatsoever thou shalt loose upon earth shall be loosed also in heaven." The Reverend Bishop proceeded to give still more proofs of the unity of the church, and concluded as follows:—Here you have seen the authority of the one visible head, recognised and obeyed. One is called from the ranks of his brethren, not simply by the voice of his fellow Bishops, but by the voice of the successor of Peter, and he tells him he is called from his office and is appointed to that of episcopacy in the church. When he hears that voice, no matter what may be the diffidence or humility of heart, he recognises in that voice the voice of God, not of man, and he obeys. He has labored long among many of you—he has built up churches, converted sinners, baptized and joined in matrimony, and has contracted with thousands the bond of spiritual parentage and affection; and now the voice of Peter comes and tells him to go forth from his kindred and friends—to go forth to another people and another land and preach the truths of Christ.

Dramatic and Musical Matters.

At the BROADWAY THEATRE Mr. Forrest has completed the fourth week of his engagement. The house is very well attended. Sheridan Knowles' play, "Virginius," has been the chief attraction of the present week. Mr. Forrest's conception and embodiment of the *brusque*, passionate old Roman was altogether excellent. He was so effective in portions of the third act as to excite the audience to the highest pitch of enthusiasm. The Virginius of the night, (Miss Reignolds,) a late addition to the company, would have been better if she had not tried to act so much. She is a young woman of considerable personal attractions. This evening, "Coriolanus" is to be produced, with Mr. Forrest as Caius Marcius, a part which he has not played for several years. The revival will, doubtless, draw a great house.

At NIBLO'S GARDEN the German opera company gave its last performance on Tuesday, since which time the theatre has not been opened. The Opera is announced to open on the 30th, and the artists were expected to arrive in the Nashville, which reached this port yesterday. Mr. Ullman came, and reports that Mme. De Lagrange, Signora Parodi, and several others, would leave in the St. Louis, which was announced to sail from Havre on the 11th instant. Mr. A. Jaatz announces a concert at Niblo's this evening.

At BURTON'S THEATRE the principal incident of the week has been the revival of Shakspeare's "Comedy of Errors," with some changes in the cast of last season, when Messrs. Burton and G. Andrews were the two Dromios, and Mrs. Buckland played Adriana. Mr. Burton and Mr. Hall now play the Dromios, and Mrs. Hough gives a mild representation of Adriana. The illusion of the play was not well supported. The two Dromios had points of personal resemblance, but their ideas of the proper manner of acting the parts were widely different. Mr. Burton was rapid, smart and intelligent—Mr. Hall was slow, foggy and funny. It seemed to us that a Dromio so intelligent as that played by Mr. Burton would have very soon disentangled the "snarl" which is the foundation of the play. Mr. Fisher and Mr. Jordan played the two Antipholuses, and were unlike each other in acting—Fisher was spirited and fiery, Jordan elegant and *nonchalant*. The piece has been somewhat abridged, but the cuts are judicious. This evening Mrs. A. F. Baker takes her benefit, when "Janet Pride" is to be done for the last time. It has been played eleven nights, and would not have reached that number of performances, had it not been for the very excellent manner in which it was acted. Mrs. Baker, who is one of the very best of American actresses, deserves a full house for her benefit. Mr. and Mrs. G. Holman have a benefit on Tuesday, when a light and pleasant bill is announced.

At WALLACK'S THEATRE, "The Bold Dragoons," an ingeniously constructed three act comedy—evidently the result of a petty larceny from the French—has been played to the satisfaction of the audiences, which have not been so large as the excellent acting at this house should draw. This evening "London Assurance" is announced, with a cast including all the favorite members of the company, including Miss Bennett, as Lady Gay. A new comedy called "Elopements in High Life" is underlined.

At the BOWERY THEATRE, this evening, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Conner will appear in Mr. Bulwer Lytton's play, "Richelieu." Mons. Schmidt and M'lle Therese appear in the ballet called the "Greek Slave." A new fairy legend is underlined.

At the AMERICAN MUSEUM, this afternoon and evening, Mr. C. W. Clarke, the stage director has his benefit. The bill includes the "Lady of the Lake" and a new drama called the "Sons of the Republic."

At WOOD'S MINSTRELS, 472 Broadway; at Buckley's, 539 Broadway, and at Perham's, 663 Broadway, tempting programmes are announced for this evening.

M. LAVENU'S FRENCH VAUDEVILLE COMPANY made its *début* on Tuesday last at the Stadt theatre, before a tolerably good audience. The bill comprised *Le Philtre*, *La Tête de Martin*, *Edgard et la Bonne*, and a comic chansonnette, *Le bonnet d'âne*. The three vaudevilles are spirited and merry. The acting of Mesdames Alexandrine and Cecile, as also of Monsieur Edgar, was very good, but the balance of the troupe has to acquire a little more *habitude de la scène*. In a few days another performance is to take place; but we should advise the managers to choose for it a more fashionable theatre.

City Intelligence.

MILITARY PREPARATIONS IN THIS CITY FOR A WAR WITH SPAIN—THE WORTH LEGION AND CUBA.

It may perhaps surprise some of our readers to know that three recruiting offices, two in this city and one in Albany, are to be opened to-day to enrol the names of those desirous of participating in a war with Spain, should the existing difficulties lead to that result. It appears that, pending the settlement of the Black Warrior outrage, application was made to Governor Seymour to grant informal commissions to the officers of two regiments, to be called the Worth Legion, to serve in the war, should any ensue. Governor Seymour, however, declined granting the application, although he expressed himself favorably to the enterprise. The present trouble with the Cuban authorities has had the effect of bringing the Legion again into activity, and we publish below a complete list of their officers. They claim to have a quasi official sanction from the Secretary of War; and the fact that the Custom House is largely represented in the board of officers, would seem to imply that the administration is kindly disposed towards the objects of the Legion. It will be seen, by the subjoined list, that the officers of the New York Volunteers form no inconsiderable part of the Legion. Among the names we notice Burnham, and Hall, and Farnsworth, of Mexican war notoriety; also, Sergeant Peel, who behaved so gallantly in the war, and the brave Lieutenant Farnum, of the First Pennsylvania Volunteers.

The chief recruiting office is at the Cooper House, corner of Broadway and Anthony street. There is another to be opened in Greenwich street, but where we are not advised.

A mass meeting of the Worth Legion is to be held in the Park to morrow (Tuesday) afternoon at 5 o'clock.

In the following those marked with a star were formerly attached to the New York Volunteers. Those marked with a cross are now in the Custom House:—

WORTH LEGION.

FIRST REGIMENT NEW YORK STATE VOLUNTEERS.

Roster.

Colonel.....James C. Burnham*
Lieutenant Colonel.....Geo. B. Hall,†*
Major.....Addison Farnsworth.*

Company A—Captain, Israel Miller*; First Lieutenant, Thos. J. Rogers*; Second Lieutenant, Robt Johnston.

Company B—Captain, W. H. Allen; First Lieutenant, Jno. Creighton; Second Lieutenant, R. Kay.

Company C—Captain, Chas. S. Cooper*†; First Lieutenant, Wm. Peel*; Second Lieutenant, T. Bancroft Howard.*

Company D—Captain, Henry Dusenbury,*†; First Lieutenant, A. J. Morrison.

Company E—Captain, Henry Weldon; First Lieutenant and Adjutant, J. Egbert Farnum; Second Lieutenant, R. H. Dural.

Company F—Albany company—Captain, J. W. Blanchard; First Lieutenant, M. Hell; Second Lieutenant, R. Goldwait.

Company G—Captain, Henry Gaines*; First Lieutenant, F. T. Neuenger; Second Lieutenant, —— Dominick.

Company H—Captain, Wm. Davis; First Lieutenant, Joseph Clark; Second Lieutenant, Wm. Young.

Company I—Captain, Wm. Wilson; First Lieutenant, Jos. M. Baylis; Second Lieutenant, —— Arnold.

Company K—Captain, De Witt Clinton†; First Lieutenant, P. Hogan; Second Lieutenant, Frank H. Dikeman.

Sergeant Major, W. H. Rorke.

A GOOD SELECTION FOR THE MEDICAL COLLEGE.—The trustees of the New York Medical College have selected Dr. Henry G. Cox, now President of the Medical Board and physician in chief to the State Emigrant's Hospital, "Professor of Theory and Practice of Medicine, and of Chemical Medicine." It is understood that Dr. Green will remain and continue to lecture on the diseases of the lungs. This is considered an excellent appointment for this rapidly increasing institution.

Personal Intelligence.

Ex President Millard Fillmore visited the City Hall on Saturday, accompanied by H. E. Davies, Esq., and was introduced to Mayor Wood, and the veteran municipal functionary, D. T. Valentine, Esq. Mr. Fillmore appeared to be in the enjoyment of good health, and looked as though he could encounter the toils and cares of another Presidential canvass.

The Portland *Advertiser* says that ex Governor Crosby, of Maine, is about removing to Boston, to become connected with the editorial department of Littell's *Living Age*.

ARRIVALS.

At the St. Nicholas Hotel—Col R G Adams, Georgia; Judge R M Sanford, Baltimore; ex Governor R Wood, Ohio; Hon S B Cushing and lady, Ithica; Dr E Tompkins, Charleston.

At the Astor House—Don A Guillamas, Madrid; G W Lippitt and lady, Vienna; A Miller, Vienna; J T Durant, Illinois.

From Liverpool, in steamship Nashville—A De Guidamas, Miss E Ewan, E E D Wood, T D McGee, G W Lippets and lady, A Miller, Miss O Secere, F Vein, A C Gallow, J G Gallo, W Sparrow, J M de Bashwaldo, F De Arce, F Gerner, S J Randolt, bearer of despatches; H B Earle, Mrs Longhead, widow of late American Consul at Dublin; E H Harrison, E E Joshing, B Ullman, Maurice Strakosch, S S Gardner, J L Leslie, H Simpson, A M Kirkland, E Guyan, Thos White, A Hepty, Mr and Mrs Ray, L Ludorf, J Grisborne, Mrs C Pembarton, F Faust, W Herrman, L Gallow, S J Holley, S Etchepare, S Carnegie, H Rushbenn, S Cameron, J Knolk, J Herd, A Shaw, K Kinnersly, Dr J E McGregor, Miss K Edenbur, Miss Pemlney, G Parks and lady—Total, 51.

From Vera Cruz, in brig W G Lewis—Antonio Gomez, Teresa Gomez, Ignacio Beteiho de Gonvea and lady, Isaac Jose de Araujo.

From Nuevitas, in bark Thomas Ritchie—H Sanches, G S Gilbert, J Roberts, A Foster.

ARRIVAL OF THE NASHVILLE.

ONE WEEK LATER FROM EUROPE.

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