CITY POLITICS.

TEMPERANCE NOMINATIONS.

The new temperance party opposed to the Maine law, but in favor of a stringent license aw as the best method of promoting temperance, assembled in convention last night to nominate a ticket for city and county officers. In the convention there was much unanimity and enthusiasm. The following ticket was selected :—

Comptroller	John S. Giles.
County Clerk	Douglas Lefingwell.
Street Commissioner	James Dewey.
Counsel to Corporation	John B. Haskin.
Sheriff	William S. Duke.
Judge Supreme Court	Edward P. Cowles.
Judges Superior Court	Murray Hoffman. Lewis P. Woodruff.
Judge Common Pleas	John R. Brady.
Judge Marine Court	C. R. Birdsall.
Almshouse Governor	Wm. H. Albertson.
Com. Repairs and Supplies	Jacob L. Dodge.
City Inspector	George W. Morton.
Coroners:—Dr. E. D. Connery	Samuel A. Hill.
Fred. W. Perry	H. N. Wilhelm.

SOFT SHELL COUNTY CONVENTION.

Notwithstanding the heavy, pelting rain, and the unfavorable state of the weather generally, a larger and more noisy throng than on the two previous evenings assembled around and within Tammany Hall last night. The weather could not damp the spirits of the politicians who crushed, and crowded, and quarrelled in the barrooms of the drinking houses adjoining Tammany, from about half-past 6 o'clock until midnight. A variety of fights on a small scale occurred at various times during the course of the evening, which added considerably to the interest of the proceedings. A gang of loafers and boys, dressed in clothes a little the worse for wear, held possession of the stairs leading to the room in which the delegates were, and frequently caused disturbances and quarrels by their noisy demonstrations in favor of those among the list of candidates whom they wished to have nominated. One stout old fellow, well supplied with the muscular developement, happened to draw upon himself the displeasure of this crew by hurraing for the wrong individual. He was fiercely set upon, and cries of "throw him down stairs," "pitch him over the bannisters," "lam him," and other such like classical exclamations resounded through the building. The old soldier was evidently used to such work, and showed a prodigious amount of "pluck." Finding that all their endeavors were without the intended result, and that they had fallen upon the wrong customer, the assailants soon gave up, and the old Trojan hurraed for the rest of the evening without further molestation.

As soon as all the delegates were assembled, Alderman Tweed assumed the chair, and called the convention to order. The vote for Sheriff was immediately entered into and resulted in the re-nomination of James C. Willet. The balloting stood thus:—

	1st ballot.	2d ballot.
Willet	54	64
Vulte	21	16
Brown	14	12
Fairchild	14	13
Dunlap	6	4
Kipp	0	0

As soon as the vote for Sheriff was over, and the nomination officially declared, it was moved that Richard B. Connolly be selected by acclamation for County Clerk. This proposal was met with the most vociferous cheers and heartily responded to by the whole convention. Richard B. Connolly is therefore nominated by both hards and softs for the office of County Clerk. The announcement outside was received with great favor.

The convention then took a recess for fifteen minutes, for the purpose of refreshing themselves after the hard struggle up stairs. The fifteen minutes having elapsed, all the delegates again ascended the stairs, and proceeded to vote for the four Coroners. There were but two ballotings, and the following is a correct account of the number of votes cast for each of the candidates :—

	1st Ballot.	2d Ballot.
Dr. Edward D. Connery	57	—
Dr. J. Heine	48	43
Dr. Wm. O'Donnell	47	47
Dr. Underhill	36	31
Robert Gamble	34	33
Dr. Joseph Hilton	34	30
Dr. Rollins	31	26
Dr. Thos. Whelan	23	8
Dr. Wm. McDonnell	19	17
Dr. J. H. Irwin	16	4
Dr. Wilhelm	18	9
Dr. Van Antwerp	14	8
Dr. Munson	11	1
Dr. Steven	10	7
Dr. Wm. Schlueter	9	—
Dr. Wood	9	3
Dr. Joecken	2	—
Dr. Isaac Cockefaire	2	—
Dr. Carpentier	1	—
Dr. Hyatt	1	—

Dr. E. D. Connery was declared duly nominated on the first ballot. The result was received with loud cheers by the lobby. On the second ballot it was decided to consider the three highest candidates nominated, and it appearing that Drs. O'Donnell, Heine and Gamble received such vote, they were declared elected. The nominations were then made unanimous.

A committee of one from each ward was then appointed to call a county ratification meeting; also a committee of three to notify the candidates, when the convention adjourned *sine die*.

A NEW POLITICAL ORGANIZATION.

MEETING OF MERCHANTS AND MERCHANTS' CLERKS.

The merchants and merchants' clerks of this city assembled in convention on Friday night at a room in the Mercantile Library building, Astor place, for the purpose of nominating an independent ticket for their support in the coming election. Among those present were some of our prominent merchants and clerks, and the room was crowded with the delegates. The meeting was called to order by electing Mr. Thos. H. Painter, of the First ward, President, and Messrs. H. H. Smith, of the Third ward, and J. Burns, of the Fifth ward, Secretaries. After the usual preliminary business a committee of three was appointed to draft resolutions, who reported as follows:—

Whereas, The municipal government of this city for years past has been given over to designing politicians, and administered with the greatest corruption, and

Whereas, We, the mercantile men of New York, have perhaps a greater interest in securing an economical, honest and judicious government for our city than any other class of men, although heretofore we have generally kept ourselves aloof from party politics, therefore

Resolved, That we, the merchants and clerks of New York, in convention assembled, deem it due to ourselves and the interests of the city, to give an expression of our sentiments in the coming election, and we will do so by nominating and supporting as a body a ticket of our own, composed of the best men we can select from our own ranks, and the nominees presented us by other parties.

Resolved, That for the office of county clerk we to-night unanimously nominate Douglass Lefingwell, and deem it expedient to defer making the other nominations till another meeting of the convention.

Resolved, That as he is no seeker after office, nor identified with any party, we the more cordially support him, because we are no politicians, and desire to secure the services of a competent clerk, who will discharge the duties of the office as a faithful clerk should do.

The above resolutions were adopted unanimously; after which several patriotic speeches were made, in which it was said the organization was able to poll over five thousand votes, and was a sprig of the old reform party, although independent and distinct from theirs. Letters were then read from D. Reynolds Budd and D. F. Appleton, ex-Presidents of the Mercantile Library, and other officers, expressing their sympathy with they organization. The convention then adjourned, to meet again at the call of the chairman.

MISCELLANEOUS.

THE TWENTIETH WARD SOFT SHELLS, AND THE TAMMANY GENERAL COMMITTEE.

A union delegation of the German and Irish adopted American citizens of the Twentieth Ward Democratic Republican Vigilance Association of the city of New York waited upon the General Committee of Tammany Hall on Thursday last and presented the following communication. The delegates representing the United Democratic Associations of the German and Irish adopted citizens of the Twentieth ward, respectfully submit for the careful consideration of your honorable body the following preamble and resolutions, which have been unanimously adopted at the respective meetings and approved by a large majority of the ward committee, viz:—

That in view of the dissatisfaction heretofore loudly and generally expressed against the mode of nominating and appointing inspectors at the democratic primary elections, and with a view of relieving our members of the General Committee of Tammany Hall from the disagreeable position in which they are placed in this matter; therefore,

Resolved, That we recommend the Democratic Republican General Committee at Tammany Hall to leave the nomination and appointment of the inspectors at the approaching primary election for the Twentieth ward to a committee composed of equal numbers from both the above named associations and the ward committee.

It is needless to say that the above document was laid on the table without even debate. It would interfere with the Custom House arrangements if it were allowed. It is well known that the inspectors elect what ticket they please, and hence the desirability of having men of the right stamp appointed.

REPUBLICAN MEETING.

A convention of the whig and republican delegates was held last evening at the Astor House—Joseph Blunt presiding, and T. S. Berry acting as Secretary. Resolutions were passed in favor of forming ward republican organizations upon the State Convention platform. It was also resolved that the State delegates meet at 441 Broadway on Monday evening, at 7 o'clock, to adjourn from thence to the Republican Central Committee, which meets at the same hour at the Mercer House, to agree about the State and county nominations. No other business of importance was transacted.

SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY DISTRICT HARD SHELL CONVENTION.

The above convention met on Saturday evening, C. L. Hardy, presiding, and C. G. Gunther, Secretary. On motion, John J. Anthon was unanimously nominated for Assembly. The convention then adjourned.

SIXTH JUDICIAL POLICE DISTRICT SOFT SHELL CONVENTION.

The Soft Shell Convention of this district met last evening, Mr. Annanias Mathews acting as Chairman. A committee was appointed to wait on the Hard Shell Convention of the same district. They then adjourned.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

In your paper of yesterday (Oct. 5), under the head of "The Candidates in the Field," you have my name as the 4 N. candidate for Alderman of the Eighteenth ward. I am not the candidate of the K. N.'s, nor am I a member of the order. Least my name should reappear in a regular edition of the list, I have thought it but justice to make the foregoing statement. F. E. MATHER.

New York, Oct. 6, 1855.

Military Affairs.

During the past week target companies innumerable have passed the HERALD office, but the crowded state of our columns prevented us from refering to them, and we can do so now only briefly. We noticed the following :—

Union Ferry Guards, composed of employés of the Union Ferry Co., 107 strong, under command of Captain M. W. Van Duyne, paraded to Paterson, N. J., and there contended for a number of valuable prizes.

Franklin Volunteers, composed of members of Franklin Engine Co. No. 3, of Brooklyn. Captain Thos. Bowers, visited Port Richmond, S. I., and contended for sixty-one prizes.

Fowler Guards, Peter J. Henry, captain, numbering eighty muskets, paraded on Wednesday, Oct. 2, to East New York, and after distributing some valuable prizes, returned to the city well pleased with their visit.

Casey Guard, Captain M. Dalton, numbering some fifty muskets, accompanied by Robertson's band, visited the Weehawken Ferry Pavilion for target practice on the occasion of their third annual excursion. Twenty-seven prizes were awarded to the best shots, and one prize for the worst single shot. They exhibited a well riddled target, and looked well.

Tradesman Guards, composed of the members and friends of Engine Company No. 37, numbering 50 muskets, G. Cunningham, commandant, accompanied by Shelton's band, went on their second annual parade, for target practice, to Weehawken Pavilion, Weehawken, N. J., Thursday, October 4, where they contended for fifteen prizes.

Liberty Guards, under command of Capt. F. Pollock, visited Weehawken Ferry Pavilion, N. J., on Tuesday last, on their eighth annual excursion, mustering 40 muskets, accompanied by the Washington brass band. Seven valuable prizes were awarded to the successful competitors. Their appearance and deportment reflected great credit upon them.

The Winship Guard, Capt. Elisha Leonard, composed of the employés of the Fulton Iron Works, New York, numbering 40 muskets, passed our office on their return from the Passaic Falls, and presented a very fine appearance and a well riddled target. Sixteen prizes were presented to the fortunate shots. Shelton's band accompanied them, and all were well pleased.

C. S. Hine Guard, Captain D. Bradley, made an excursion to East New York, accompanied by Robertson's band. This company number forty muskets. Several fine prizes were contested for.

Atlantic Juniors, under command of Captain David Karr, went to Hoboken. This company comprises the members of Engine Company No. 18, and muster thirty-five muskets.

G. L. Fox Guard, A. Kilsey, captain, numbering thirty-eight muskets, made their target excursion to Hoboken. Twenty-five prizes were contended for. The Washington brass band accompanied them.

Eagle Guard, composed of the members of Engine company No. 13, D. Donovan, captain, went to Hoboken. This company number fifty-one muskets. They were attended by Robertson's band.

Duffy Light Guard, under command of Captain Noonan, twenty-five muskets strong, made a fine appearance. Robertson's band acted as their escort.

Willett Guards made their 12th annual target excursion on Tuesday, October 2d, under the command of Captain Joseph W. Donohue, accompanied by Robertson's brass band, to Tillietudlum, where they contended for eleven prizes.

Peddie and Morrison Guard, Captain Wackenshaw, of Newark, N. J., paraded to Clifton Park, S. I. They turned out 120 muskets, and showed good drill.

Brunner and Moore's Guard, Captain N. Smith, mustering ninety muskets, made an excursion to Staten Island. Thirty prizes were offered for competision. They made a fine display.

The Third Regiment Hussars, Col. S. Brooks Postley commander, have a parade on Tuesday, the 9th inst., at Madison park. It is expected the Regiment will turn out in full force. The troop forms and joins in squadrons at 1 P. M.

The Matsell-Briggs Investigation.

Another meeting of the Committee of the Board of Aldermen appointed to investigate the stupendously momentous question of the birth place of Mr. Matsell, the Chief of Police, was convened yesterday afternoon in the City Hall. It was previously understood, that this was to be a finality measure—the last meeting of the committee. Notwithstanding the deluging rain which fell all day, Mr. Briggs was at his post, but none other of his colleagues was present. Mr. McKellar and the several other contumacious witnesses were in attendance.

Mr. McKELLAR—(taking a chair opposite that which Ald. Briggs usually occupies) I suppose I may sit down here at my ease.

Ald. BRIGGS—Yes; you might as well take that seat and make yourself comfortable.

Mr. McKELLAR—Then I will have you right in my eye. (Seeing "an attendant counsel" in the room.) Are you to go on yourself, or will you be aided by counsel?

Ald. BRIGGS—Oh, I am smart enough myself.

The Alderman waited for another three-quarters of an hour, but none of his colleagues made their appearance, and he then announced, that owing to the absence of his colleagues, the investigation was adjourned till Wednesday next, at 3 o'clock P. M.

COMMON PLEAS—IN CHAMBERS.

Before Hon. Judge Ingraham, first Judge.

OCT. 6.—*John H. Briggs vs. George W. Matsell.*—An application is made to me in this matter for an order requiring Geo. W. Matsell to show cause why an attachment should not issue against him for refusing to answer any questions which the committee might think proper to put to him. On examining these papers I am not satisfied that the facts necessary to give me jurisdiction are stated in the papers. When Matsell appeared before the committee he did not object to be sworn as a witness, but after being sworn, before any questions were put to him, he handed the chairman of the committee a paper, in which he declined to answer any question. However ill advised such a proceeding may have been on his part, still I do not consider that the committee have placed him within the provisions of the statute so as to authorize this proceeding against him. The statute gives to the Judge of this Court a special power to attach, but which he can only exercise upon satisfactory proof being furnished to him either that the party complained of refused to obey a subpœna issued by the Clerk, or, on appearing, refused to be sworn as a witness, or, after being sworn, refused to answer any proper question. It is as important that the question should be stated, which was put to the witness, as it is to show his refusal to answer. The Judge, before allowing the attachment, is to be satisfied that the question put to the witness was a proper one—pertinent to the matter in issue, and one which the witness should be required to answer. The rule is the same when the witness is examined in a court of justice. A witness is not required to answer an immaterial question, nor one which tends to convict him of crime—and before it can be decided that the witness must answer, the Court should know what question was proposed to be answered. Notwithstanding the general refusal of the witness, I am of the opinion the committee should have proposed specific questions to the witness pertinent to the matter pending before them. They might have rested after proposing one question, or they might have proposed all the questions they thought to be material, and in either case, after refusal, this proceeding would be proper, but until some question is put to the witness and he refuses to answer specified questions I do not think I have any jurisdiction under the very limited power conferred by the statute in this matter. I think it, therefore, unnecessary to grant an order to show cause on these papers until the defect above pointed out is remedied.

Marine Affairs.

The United States mail steamship Washington, Captain Cavendy, sailed yesterday for Southampton and Bremen. She took out sixty-nine passengers and $70,315 in specie.

ARRIVAL OF STEAMSHIPS.—The steamships Augusta, Captain Lyons, from Savannah, and Southerner, Captain Ewan, from Charleston, arrived yesterday.

The new steamship City of Washington, originally intended to ply between Liverpool and Philadelphia in conjunction with the steamers City of Baltimore and City of Manchester, is for the present engaged for the Crimean transport service. She sailed from Greenock, 20th ult., for Liverpool, and promises to be the fastest propeller now afloat. Her dimensions are 340 feet in length; width of beam 40 feet, and depth of hold 27 feet. Her gross tonnage (new measurement) is 2,380 tons, with engines of 450 horse power. Her figure head is a bust of Washington.

MUTINY ON BOARD THE SHIP WANDERING JEW.—The ship Wandering Jew, Capt. Stackpole, sailed from Liverpool for Akyab, and on the 16th ult., a mutiny having broke out, she was towed into Cork. The following statement is condensed from the Cork *Examiner* of the 17th ult.:—

The Wandering Jew, commanded by Captain Stackpole, of Camden, Maine, was towed into Cork harbor 16th inst., by the screw boat Falcon, one of the ships of the Cork Steam Packet Company. A boat was sent off to the shore with a message from the captain, that his crew were in a state of mutiny, and that his chief mate had been dangerously wounded by one of the mutineers. A boat, with a company of police fully armed, were at once sent on board the ship, and thirteen of the mutineers were arrested upon the deposition of the captain.

From the evidence of the captain and principal witnesses it appeared that, on the evening of the 15th of the present month, the vessel being then about twenty miles off Ballycotton, the chief mate, Mr. Samuel Wright, sent one of the seamen, named John Samuel Jones, forward to the larboard watch, directing them to come aft and remove an empty cask. The men refused to go aft or remove the cask. Jones reported the refusal of the crew to the second mate, Mr. Johnson, who went forward himself and asked the men to return to their duty, but they again declined. The second mate directed the seaman, Jones, to go aft and tell the mate that the men refused to obey his orders, upon which he at once went forward and called to the men to come out of the forecastle. The mate caught hold of one of the men and pulled him out, when John Woods came out of the forecastle, came behind the chief mate, drew his knife from out of the sheath, and stabbed him over the shoulder, inflicting a deep and dangerous wound in his chest. Woods then struck at the second mate, but he fortunately avoided the blow; and at this time several of the crew rushed out of the forecastle with their knives unsheathed and with the most threatening gestures. The mutineers were brought up from the bridewell under an escort of police, and placed in the dock. The names of the prisoners are:—John Woods, Owen Haywood, Daniel Brown, William Wessell, Antonio Brown, John Shearman, John Pageto, John Pateny, Antonio Gomus, otherwise Goleomus; John Souze, Nicholas Mitchell, Peter Myer, John Jessman, and Rudolph Teydel. After an investigation, the bench decided on detaining the prisoner Woods and the Portuguese Sousa, who was the only other man distinctly recognized as having drawn a knife, until the opinion of the proper legal authorities could be had upon the law of the case. The other prisoners, who appeared to be mostly foreigners, and generally unacquainted with the English language, were then discharged.

Religious Intelligence.

SERMONS.

A discourse appropriate to the third anniversary of St. Ann's Church for deaf mutes, will be delivered by the rector this forenoon, in the smaller chapel of the University.

Rev. L. Raymond will preach for the west Twenty-third street Baptist Church, in Knickerbocker Hall, this evening.

Rev. Dr. Baird, who has just returned from a tour in Europe, will give a view of the progress of truth in the Papal countries there, contrasting the present state of things with what it was twenty years ago, at the meeting of the American and Foreign Christian Union this evening, at Rev. Dr. Adams' Church, corner of Madison avenue and Twenty-fourth street.

ORDINATIONS.

An ordination, says the *Catholic Mirror*, was held by the Most Rev. Archbishop, on the 21st ult., in the chapel of the Seminary of St. Sulpice, at which Messrs. E. Brennan, W. B. Street and E. Didier, of the diocess of Baltimore; Messrs. Hartney, M. Moran, P. O'Reilly and J. Creen, of the diocess of Boston; P. McMahon, of the diocess of Covington, and H. H. Meufleis, of the diocess of Detroit, were admitted to the Holy Tonsure; and Messrs. M. Hartney, P. O'Reilly and P. McMahon received the minor orders. On the following day, Messrs. D. E. Lyman, of the diocess of Baltimore, and P. McMahon, were promoted to the Subdeaconship.

The Classis of Bergen held an adjourned session in the First Reformed Dutch Church in Newark, N. J., on the 2d instant, for the ordination of Mr. John S. Joraleman as a missionary to China. Mr. J. is a young man of rare promise, and goes out from this city under the auspices of the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions, his destination being Amoy.

Mr. Albert Mandell was ordained and installed cy the Presbytery of Utica, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Westernville, on the 25th ult.

INVITATIONS.

Rev. Lyman Whiting, of Reading, Mass., has accepted the call of the North Church and Society in Portsmouth. He will probably be installed in a few weeks.

Rev. T. W. Duncan, of East Berlin, Ct., has been called by the Congregational church at Chilmark, Martha's Vineyard.

The Rev. B. Johnson has accepted a call to Abbeville, S. C.

The Rev. John W. Clark, late rector of St. Paul's church, Cincinnati, Ohio, has received and accepted a call to Trinity church, Hoboken, New Jersey.

Rev. Charles Packard, has received a call to become the pastor of the Congregational church at North Middleboro', Mass.

Rev. J. A. Woodruff has received and accepted a call to the brick Presbyterian church, Conneaut, O.

Rev. A. S. Padmele, of Addison, N. Y., has received a call to the Presbyterian church, in Livonia, N. Y.

Rev. John Patton, Secretary of the Philadelphia Education Society, has been invited to take charge of the Logan square Presbyterian church, in Philadelphia.

Rev. Wm. Fobes has been called to the Congregational church at Hooksett, N. H.

Rev. Dr. Beecher, formerly of the *Baptist Recorder*, has been called to the Baptist Church at Saratoga Springs.

INSTALLATION.

The installation of Rev. Mr. Lowe, (late of Exeter, and formerly colleague pastor of the Unitarian Society in New Bedford,) as pastor of the North church and society in Salem, Mass., took place on the 27th ult.

On the 4th instant, the Rev. Eben Francis was installed pastor of the 2d Universalist Church and society in Newark, N. J. The sermon was preached by the Rev. P. J. Sawyer, D. D., of New York, and the address to the society delivered by the Rev. E. H. Chapin, of New York.

The Reformed Dutch Church of Whitehouse, (or Rockaway, as it is known in the Minutes of Synod) in Hunterdon county, N. J., having been without a pastor for a year past, extended a call to Rev. Aaron Lloyd, of Hudson, N. J., which was accepted, and he was installed on Wednesday the 19th ult.

On Tuesday, September 18th, Rev. Henry Morris was installed as pastor of the Protestant Reformed Dutch Church of Cuddebackville, Orange county, N. Y.

Installed, over the Appleton street Church, Lowell, on Tuesday, 2d inst., Rev. J. P. Cleveland, D. D.

Rev. Charles J. McHarg is to be installed pastor of the Presbyterian Church in Irvington, next Wednesday. Rev. Drs. Burchard, Hatfield, Prentiss and Campbell are to take part in the exercises.

Rev. John Cunningham was installed pastor of the Free Congregational Church in Penn Yan, N. Y., on the 19th ult.

RESIGNATIONS.

Rev. S. Hopkins Emery has resigned the pastoral charge of the "Winslow church" in Taunton, and has accepted a call from a Congregational church in Quincy, Ill.

Rev. Leonard W. Bacon has resigned the charge of St. Peter's church, Rochester, old school. This church has adopted a liturgy, and introduced other innovations.

Rev. Darwin Chichester has resigned the pastoral charge of the Presbyterian church in Mount Morris, Livingston county, N. Y., where he has labored successfully for five years past.

Rev. George A. Oviatt has resigned the pastorate of the Congregational church, in Chicopee, Mass.

DISMISSALS.

Rev. R. E. Wilson has been dismissed, at his own request, from the pastorate of the Presbyterian church of Corning.

Rev. S. Haynes was dismissed from the pastoral charge of the Presbyterian church in Skaneateles, on the 25th ult., by the Presbytery of Cayuga.

Rev. William Lusk has been dismissed from the pastoral charge of the Presbyterian church in Batavia.

Rev. F. E. Hall has been dismissed from his charge in Guilford, Conn.

Rev. Robert Crawford has requested a dismission from his charge in North Adams, Mass.

Rev. Henry I. Coe has been dismissed from the South Presbyterian church, old school, in Galena, Ill.

NEW CHURCHES.

The Thirteenth street Presbyterian church, situated between Sixth and Seventh avenues, is now completed, and will be dedicated by appropriate services to the worship of God to-day. Preaching in the morning by the pastor, Rev. S. D. Burchard, D. D.; in the afternoon, by the Rev. A. D. Smith, D. D.; and in the evening, by Rev. Dr. Panvard, of the Baptist church.

The attention of the consistories of the Reformed Dutch church on the Heights (Dr. Bethune's), and of the Collegiate church of this city, having been called to the want of church accommodations in a beautiful and growing section of South Brooklyn, a neat chapel has been obtained near the corner of Summit and Hicks streets; the improvements which are now in progress will probably be completed, and the church opened for divine service the third Sabbath of the present month. The Rev. Mr. Quackenbush, of Fishkill Landing, has accepted the pastoral charge of this new Christian enterprize.

The new Baptist church at South Dover, Dutchess county, N. Y., was dedicated on the 22d ult.

The dedication services of the meeting house of the Bedford avenue Baptist church, Brooklyn, will take place on Thursday, Oct. 11.

The Church of the Messiah, Rhinebeck, Dutchess county, N. Y., was consecrated, by Divine permission, on Saturday morning, Oct. 6.

The corner stone of Good Shepherd Free Church is to be laid on Thursday, the 11th inst., at 12 o'clock M., Fifty-fourth st., between Second and Third avenues, Rev. Drs. Berrian and Moore officiating.

The Right Rev. the Provisional Bishop will, by leave of Divine Providence, consecrate the new parish church of St. Peter, at Westchester county, Westchester, N. Y., on Wednesday next, the 10th inst.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A double religious ceremony was performed at the Convent of the Sisters of Mercy in this city, on the 25th ult. Miss Madeline Coster (Sister Marie Legnori) took the white veil of the novices; and the black veil of the Sisters of Mercy was taken by Miss Alicia Cecilia Shubrick, (Sister Marie Jerome). Miss Coster is a granddaughter of Admiral De Grasse; and Miss Shubrick is the daughter of Captain Shubrick, of the United States Army.

Sympathy and pity were within the hearts of the Israelites on last Saturday at the Synagogue Rodef Sholam, Clinton street. The minister, the Rev. B. E. Jacobs, in eloquent and impressive terms, put forth the condition of the poor sufferers in Norfolk, Virginia, and appealed to the congregation in their behalf. A collection took place, and, in less than half an hour, the sum of $273 was collected.

The Rev. John W. Clarke, late of Cincinnati, having accepted a call as rector, will officiate to day in Trinity church, Hoboken.

The Rev. Samuel W. Hallowell has taken charge of Grace church, Haddonfield, N. J.

The Rev. Charles E. Beardsley has presented a letter dismissory from the diocess of Michigan, and been received into the diocess of Western New York, in the parishes of Clean and Cuba.

The thirtieth anniversary of the New Haven Baptist Association was held at the First Baptist church, in New Haven, on the 3d inst.

Bishop Doane confirmed seventeen persons at Rahway, N. J., on the 14th ult., and instituted Rev. Henry N. Price. He visits Morristown on Tuesday, 9th ult.

The one hundredth birth-day of Rev. Mr. John Sawyer, of Bangor, Me., is to be celebrated in that city on the 9th of October, with appropriate ceremonies, in which the aged clergyman himself will participate.

The Halifax *Morning Chronicle* of the 25th says:—The Baptist Convention of Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, and P. E. Island, commenced its session at Liverpool on the 15th inst., the Hon. J. W. Johnston presiding. The Convention sermon was preached on Monday by the Rev. David Nutter, of Maine, U. S., a venerable preacher well known in this province. About fifty delegates were present, twenty of whom were clergymen. The Convention adjourned on Tuesday, to meet next year at Portland, N. B.

The first "Grand Provincial Council" of the Catholic Church for the Arch-Diocess of St. Louis, will be celebrated in the Cathedral church of St. Louis, commencing with the first Sunday in October and terminating with the Sunday following. The Rev. Archbishop Kenrick, of Baltimore, will preside on that occasion.

The St. John's, (N. F.,) papers contain full accounts of the consecration of the Catholic cathedral in that place, and the visit of the distinguished prelates who proceeded thither for that purpose. The consecration appears to have been a very imposing ceremony. It took place on Sunday, 9th ult., and was attended by the Catholic clergy and laity from all parts of the island. Such a mighty gathering was never before witnessed in St. John's. The consecration sermon was preached by the Most Rev. Dr. Hughes, Archbishop of New York. This discourse is published at length in some of the St. John's papers. An illumination took place in the evening, a fact which seems to have given offence to some denominations in St. John's. Other chapels were also consecrated during the visit of the Bishops to Newfoundland. Besides being *fêted* by all the high officials of the colony, the visitors were also entertained by the Benevolent Irish Society. His Grace of New York responded for the charter toast of "the Pope;" for the "President of the United States," and for his own health—the other bishops also responding to the honors done them respectively. The company was about one hundred and sixty. Just previous to the steamer's leaving for Halifax, their lordships laid the foundation stone of the new church of St. Patrick at River Head.

The Philidelphia *Inquirer* says:—Perhaps the most striking and elegant ecclesiastical edifice at present in our city, is the new Baptist church, at the northwest corner of Broad and Arch streets, and now nearly completed. The design is Anglo Norman, and the entire sentiment conveyed to the mind by the architecture is that of the quaint antiquity of the medi-eval period of which so many fine specimens are still extant in England, Normandy and Picardy, while the rich dark brown stone of which it is constructed seems admirably adapted to strengthen the illusion. The architect is an American, Mr. Stephen D. Button, of this city, and the noble religious temple he has designed will remain for ages as a monument of his taste and skill. There are three towers or steeples rising from the body of the church—two of which are each about a hundred feet high, while the third, with its surmounting spire will reach the noble altitude of two hundred and twenty-five feet in the stonework, and the red vane above will probably be twenty-five feet more—making two hundred and fifty feet—and thus by far the highest building in the city. About one hundred and seventy feet are already finished, and the whole will be completed this fall. Already the beautiful pile, pointing as it were to Heaven, attracts the attention of every visiter and passer by in its vicinity, and although examined with critical eyes, yet the public approval and judicious admiration are said to be general. The Catholic cathedral, in Logan square, already rises above all the surrounding buildings, while we hear of another Episcopal church, west of Broad street, about to be constructed in the purest Gothic style. Then we have a noble Presbyterian church in Arch street and Nineteenth, in the form of a Grecian temple, surmounted by a lofty and spacious dome—the whole fabric designed by Mr. Hoxie, architect, of Philadelphia. This edifice will shortly be opened for divine worship. St. Mark's and Calvary churches, in Locust, near Eighteenth, are among our prominent architectural structures, and judging from present appearances, Philadelphia, between Broad street and the Schuylkill, will soon present an elegance of appearance, especially as regards religious edifices, that will far surpass the similar attractions of any city in the Union.

Police Intelligence.

ARREST OF ALLEGED BURGLARS—SEIZURE OF THEIR TOOLS AND BOOTY.

Two men, named William Lees and Richard Greenwood, were taken into custody by Captain Leonard, of the Second ward police, and officer Martin, of the Lower Police Court, charged with the commission of a burglary at Providence, R. I., on the night of the 18th ult., on which occasion the dry goods store of Mr. George Baker was robbed of silk goods to the amount of $7,000. The accused, it appeared, were observed by one of the Providence police loitering around the premises previous to the commission of the burglary, and he knowing them to be suspicious characters, came on to New York and gave a description of the men to the authorities here. The matter was placed in the hands of Captain Leonard and officer Martin, who, after nearly a week's search, succeeded in coming up with their men on Wednesday. On searching the residence of Lees, in West Broadway, a carpet bag, containing a lot of burglar's tools and some of the stolen property, was found secreted. Among the burglarious implements found was a large brass "safe cutter," constructed in such a manner that no bank safe could withstand the power brought to bear against it by one of the steel blades, which was made to fit into this piece of machinery. Indeed, the police look upon the tool as the finest piece of mechanism appertaining to the cracksman's profession that ever came under the cognizance of the authorities. The prisoners are also strongly suspected of having been engaged in the late burglaries perpetrated in Broadway and Vesey street last month, when about $18,000 worth of silks were stolen. A jewelry store in Providence was also burglariously entered in the month of June last, and all that was valuable carried off. It is now supposed by the authorities in Rhode Island that the authors of all this mischief are at length discovered in the person of Lees and Greenwood, just now arrested. The prisoners were taken back to Providence.

CHARGE OF KIDNAPPING A SAILOR.

On Monday afternoon officer Ross, of the Lower Police Court, arrested two men, named Thos. Hadden and Thomas Murphy, (the former proprietor of a sailor's boarding house, at No. 26 Peck slip, and the latter a boatman), charged with being implicated in the kidnapping of an Italian sailor named Antonia Libornia Sposito. The complainant in this case states that as he was walking along Peck slip, he was met by a man to him unknown, who asked him if he would like to ship on board a schooner for New Orleans, at $20 per month. Sposito replied in the affirmative, whereupon he was asked to accompany this person to the vessel, which he represented lay in the stream near Brooklyn shore. On getting into a boat which was rowed by Murphy, the complainant says he was put on board of an American packet ship bound for Liverpool, where against his will and consent the officers compelled him to perform seaman's duty, by going aloft, &c. The complainant remonstrated with them, but in vain. Watching his opportunity, Sposito jumped into a row boat that came along side the vessel, and by promising the boatman a handsome reward, succeeded in persuading him to take him ashore. He then made his way to the police court, and giving the desired information, warrants were issued for the arrest of all the parties implicated. The man who enticed the Italian into the boat could not be found, although strict search was made for him. At the conclusion of the investigation, Justice Connolly held Hadden and Murphy to bail in the sum of $1,000 each to answer the charge, while in the case of the mate, there not being sufficient legal testimony brought against him, Justice Connolly discharged him from arrest.

STABBED IN A ROW.

John Sheppard, a sailor, was severely stabbed in the abdomen on Friday last, in a row with a shipmate of his, named Brown. The occurrence took place at a groggery in Oliver street. The wounded man was taken to the New York Hospital, where he was attended by the house surgeon. Brown ran away after inflicting the blow, and has not since been arrested. Sheppard, although severely injured, will, it is thought, recover, none of the intestines having been cut.

THE CANAL STREET BURGLARY—FURTHER ARRESTS.

On Friday night, officers Roach, Wark and Gautier, of the Eighth ward police, arrested two men named Joseph Warner and Richard Ridner, alias Dicky Riker, on suspicion of being implicated in the late burglary upon the premises of Messrs. Arnold & Co., dry goods merchants of Canal street, (a full account of which was published in yesterday's issue.) One of the prisoners is recognized as one of the two men who were seen coming from the Smile a few minutes previous to the discovery of the burglary. They were committed to prison for examination. The police are now on the track of two other men who were connected with the burglars on the night in question.

Theatres and Exhibitions.

BROADWAY THEATRE.—Mr. Edwin Forrest, the eminent American tragedian, will commence an engagement at this popular establishment to-morrow evening. He will appear as Hamlet, in Shakspeare's tragedy of that name, supported by several of the most prominent members of the company. The closing piece will be the popular farce of the "Wandering Minstrel," in which Mr. Chapman will appear as Jem Baggs.

NIBLO'S GARDEN.—The attractions announced for to-morrow evening by Manager Niblo, cannot fail in crowding the house in every available department. They consist of the combined performances of the Spanish dancers, under the direction of Senor Don Jose Florente, and the Pyne and Harrison opera company. Niblo seems determined to merit a continuance of the great patronage he has always received.

BOWERY THEATRE.—The play styled "Love and Loyalty," written for J. W. Wallack, and in which he will sustain the character of Marston, is to be played to-morrow night. R. Johnston, J. J. Prior and Mrs. W. Ward will support him in the other principal characters. The farce of "Next Door Neighbors" will also be performed. As this is the last week of Mr. Wallack's engagement, those who have not yet seen him should avail themselves of the present limited opportunity.

BURTON'S THEATRE.—The bill announced for to-morrow evening, by Burton, comprises two comedies—"Love and Reason" and "Still Water Runs Deep"—Messrs. Burton, Jordan, Dyott, Bradley, Marchant, Mrs. C. Thorne, Miss E. Thorne, Miss Raymond and Mrs. Hughes personating the leading parts. The last named piece continues to increase in popularity, and very justly so—for, independent of its literary merits, the characters are well sustained.

WALLACK'S THEATRE.—The "Game of Love" and "How Stout You're Getting" are advertised again for to-morrow evening, with the same strong casts. Manager Wallack's catering has always given great satisfaction; but so far this season he has outrivalled all his previous endeavors, and we are happy to find that they have been duly appreciated by the public.

METROPOLITAN THEATRE.—Judging from the large audiences, composed of the *élite* of the town, who have patronized the French drama every evening since the change in the price of admission, it is fair to infer that the pockets of M. Feuix are not suffering any damage from the judicious reduction which he has thought proper to make. Every person who is desirous of beholding the life-like impersonations of the great Rachel, can, and doubtless will, now visit the Metropolitan theatre. Mlle. Rachel appears in one of her best parts to-morrow evening, i. e., as Camille, in Corneille's sublime tragedy of "Horaces," in which she has been so much admired by all who have had the pleasure of seeing her in that character. There will be no farce to-morrow evening.

WOOD'S MINSTRELS have no cause to complain of the public since the opening of their new hall, No. 444 Broadway. The rush to see it has been quite terrific, hundreds and hundreds having necessarily been denied admission every evening. Good programmes are always provided by Mr. Wood for his patrons.

BUCKLEY'S SERENADERS are likewise steadily prospering and increasing in public estimation. The burlesque on the "Daughter of the Regiment" will be played during the whole of next week.

MECHANICS' HALL.—McAllister, the wonder to the rising generation, draws very well at Wood's old hall.

APOLLO ROOMS.—The interest in this new and attractive style of entainment, called the "Hibernia," is not by any means decreasing. Mrs. Gibbs rel