RELIGIOUS.

Services To-Day.

"Apostles the Restorers of Unity and Catholicity" will be the subject of Rev. W. W. Andrews' sermon this evening in the Catholic Apostolic church, West Sixteenth street.

"The Prodigal Son" will be the subject of the discourses this morning and evening in the Bleecker street Mission chapel.

Rev. E. C. Sweetser preaches this morning and evening in the Bleecker street Universalist church.

Rev. Dr. Krotel will preach this morning and evening in the Evangelical Lutheran church of the Holy Trinity. The evening sermon will be on the Sixth Commandment.

Rev. Chauncey Giles will lecture this evening in the New Jerusalem (Swedenborgian) church on "Labor as a Means of Spiritual Culture." Morning worship at eleven o'clock.

Rev. Thomas Street will preach this morning and evening in the North Presbyterian church, Thirtieth street and Ninth avenue.

Rev. Dr. Wescott will preach in Plymouth Baptist church, Fifty-first street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues, this morning, and in the evening on "The White Robed Multitude."

Rev. Dr. Cheever will preach in the Lexington avenue church, corner of Forty-sixth street, to the Church of the Puritans this evening, and Rev. Dr. Sanderson will preach to his congregation in the morning.

Rev. Merrill Richardson, pastor of the New England Congregational church, corner of Madison avenue and Forty-seventh street, will preach this morning and evening. Subject for morning discourse—"Responsibility of Great Men."

Rev. Andrew Longacre will preach morning and evening in the Central Methodist Episcopal church, Seventh avenue.

Rev. Dr. Ewer preaches morning and evening in Christ Church, Fifth avenue.

Rev. E. R. Atwill, rector of St. Paul's, Burlington, Vt., will preach in St. John's Chapel, Varick street, this morning.

Rev. J. H. Eylance will preach in St. Mark's Church, Second avenue, this morning and evening.

Rev. J. M. Pullman will preach at the Church of our Saviour (Sixth Universalist), Thirty-fifth street, between Fifth and Sixth avenues, this morning and evening.

Rev. C. S. Harrower will preach this morning and evening in St. Luke's Methodist Episcopal church, Forty-first street.

Public worship will be conducted in the West Twenty-fifth street United Presbyterian church this morning and afternoon.

Mrs. Cora V. Tappan will speak before the Society of Progressive Spiritualists this morning and evening.

The "Christian Brothers'" Entertainment.

It is well known that the "Christian Brothers" constitute one of the most useful Orders of the Catholic Church. Their vows are to works of charity and education, especially among the poor. They have some of the best schools in this city, as they have all over the world. The "Brothers" in this city will give two entertainments at Steinway Hall during this week—one on Wednesday and one on Thursday. The leading features will be vocal and instrumental music by students from different institutions under the care of the "Brothers," recitations by students and graduates, and two addresses; the one on Wednesday to be by Assistant District Attorney Algernon S. Sullivan, and Thursday evening by one of the clergymen from St. Peter's church. The proceeds of these entertainments will be for the relief of the "Brothers," who have suffered most severely during the war in France, where they gave themselves and all their means to works of charity and nursing in the hospitals.

The Baptist Union.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

All religious sects are subject to periodical visits of agitators and would-be reformers. Sometimes they have been regarded as a necessity to save the Church from the corrupting influences of the age; at other times their disturbances have been regarded as the outgrowth of their insubordination, while the "faithful" have generally looked upon them as thorns in the side of the Church, lest she "should be exalted above measure." Just now the Baptists seem to be the special subjects on whom these "disaffected" are operating. If "smooth waters run deep," then deep waters ought to run smooth. But deep as the Baptists have dug, their channel, so as to secure "much water," yet the stream seems to be capable of being greatly ruffled, at least on its surface. This denomination—one of the largest in America—has always arrogated to itself the distinguished position of representing the Apostolic Church in the purity of its faith and practice. If we rightly interpret their journals the vast majority of them are still unwilling to give up the position. As other sects claim the very same thing—an undisputed apostolic succession—in some form or other, we can see no reason why the Baptists might not be allowed a similar assumption. But there are not a few within her closely guarded walls who seem to think otherwise. They demand that the Baptists shall only be considered one branch of the great Catholic Church, and that other branches shall be received and accepted as equally apostolic. They also demand that they shall be considered none the less Baptists for holding these sentiments. The *Baptist Union* was established in this city at the beginning of this year as the organ of these "liberals," as they call themselves, and it promises to do good service for them. It seems to be ably conducted, and among its contributors are able Baptists in England, such as Mr. Spurgeon and Dr. Brock. Whether the Baptists will consent to be "degraded to the level of the sects," as the establishment in England would say, remains to be seen. But it seems from present indications that they will either yield enough to make a compromise with the "liberals," or the *Baptist Union* will be a "thorn in their flesh" which its promoters have neither the wish nor power to give them a sufficiency of grace to bear.

The "Inquirer" on the White Man and the Negro.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

Without encroaching too much upon the columns of your excellent journal or wearying your readers I would like to make the following statement in regard to the article written in reply to mine on the question, "Had the White Man and the Negro a Common Parentage?" by the "Inquirer," and which appeared in your issue of a few Sundays ago. In the article referred to no new arguments were brought forward in support of his view; but he contented himself by attempting to pass over mine on the ground that they were unsupported by authority; yet, strange to say, he has failed to give any authority himself for the statements made by him. My object in this article is to show the position occupied by him and the unfairness of his arguments. In the first place, speaking of the effect of climate upon the Jews of Cochin, he says:—"The Jews of Cochin may have been browned by the sun, so as to deceive a careless observer, but without amalgamation the natural outline of their features would forever remain the same." This instance of the effect of climate and other external causes upon a race, is quoted by Dr. Pritchard in his "Natural History of Mankind," who also states that in this case it was not the result of amalgamation; so, until the writer proves that the learned Doctor was a careless observer, we can claim this as an authenticated instance. The writer also says that the Jews were not prevented by their laws from intermarrying with foreigners. In opposition to this I would refer him to Nehemiah xiii., part of 25th verse, where, speaking of foreigners, it says:—"Ye shall not give your daughters unto their sons, nor take their daughters unto your sons, nor for yourselves." The case of the West India sheep, the "Inquirer" thinks, if it proves anything, is, that the negro ought to have his long, straight hair instead of wool, without stopping here to prove whether heat alone can turn wool to hair, which I have never said, I would state that the writer has here laid himself open to the charge of gross ignorance, since we can fairly assume that he supposes the hair of the negro to be wool, whereas both Pritchard and Draper have shown that it is hair in every sense of the word. In regard to the color of the African the "Inquirer" has changed his ground, for he now attributes the negro's ability to keep cool to the evaporation of perspiration, concerning which he said not a word in his former article. We have shown in our former article that the mere fact of the negro's blackness does not in the least degree lessen his warmth, but rather increases it. This increase in warmth is, however, compensated for by the increase in evaporation, and he is enabled to be as cool as he is in that torrid climate. If this design could be shown, as it cannot be—viz., that the African is black in order to keep cool in a hot climate—how would the "Inquirer" account for the blackness of some of the inhabitants of the polar regions? If one case shows design surely there is a great lack of it in the other. In regard to the portion of the Eastern Continent, now occupied by the Indian Ocean, not having been submerged since the close of the tertiary period, I would refer him to page 138 De la Beche's "Geological Observer," second edition; and furthermore I have been unable to find his authority for the statement that it has been submerged since this period. Passing over the intermediate remarks of the writer I would come to his last argument against my theory, and say that he makes me argue that the North American Indians were created in America, whereas I believe that they came from Asia, as do the vast majority of scientists. In closing we would say that we have given authority for all our statements, can claim a case of the change of a people by external circumstances, and have shown that the author's argument from color amounts to nothing. It seems inconsistent to believe that the greyhound and bulldog, the Newfoundland and the hairless dog of Guiana are the offspring of a common parent, and deny it to man, who differs less in physiological or anatomical structure. Whatever of reason there may be in some arguments in favor of diversity of origin, there surely is none in those of the "Inquirer." QUID EST VERITAS.

The Divinity of Christ.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

A late brilliant article of yours convinced us all that you are a true defender of the fundamental point of Christianity—namely, the "Divinity of Christ." I refer to your article on H. W. Beecher's orthodoxy. Now this essential question is greatly disputed, and therefore I think that you would do a great deal of good by printing the enclosed on it, which I have found in the *St. Peter*. It is a reply to Bellows, Greeley and others. It is universally looked on as very satisfactory. There is no doubt that by printing it in your religious column next Sabbath you would do a great deal of good, for the HERALD goes every place. M. A. P.

[The article in *St. Peter* referred to is rather too long for insertion in the HERALD.—ED. HERALD.]

"A Little Sermon."

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

Will you allow me, in compliance with the suggestion of the Connecticut minister (referred to last week) to preach a little sermon, with the HERALD for a text. The HERALD has, I think, a fourfold aspect: first, and chiefly, as a newspaper; secondly, as an indicator; thirdly, as a censor or critic, and lastly, as an educator. As a newspaper it is superfluous to praise it; a paper so universally read for news needs no commendation. As an indicator—a faithful, watchful indicator of public opinion, of "coming events," changing circumstances and consequent change of bases of operations—it is certainly most excellent. This it is able to be, as it is utterly fearless and free, being bound by no party politics. As a censor or critic its independence is perfect and characteristic. A man or measure which may be useful at one period, and is, consequently, upheld, if they are no longer a benefit to the country, or if the man has not fulfilled the expectations entertained of him, the HERALD has not hesitated to do its best to overthrow the obnoxious man or measure. In literary criticism it has been equally independent. As an educator it has been decidedly moral, conservative and consistent. And even when on the surface there has been the appearance of frivolity or lightness there has been the undercurrent of intelligent morality, and sometimes a still higher sentiment, as was so well expressed by the "Catholic Christian" in the HERALD of last Sunday or Monday. Beyond all this the HERALD now stands forth as the religious exponent of the times, and, besides the general intelligence on such matters, gives us the most remarkable sermons preached weekly in the country.

But in the presence of these noted sermons my "little sermon" must end. G. H. H.

Three Reasons for Not Accepting the Bible as a Special Revelation from God to Man.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD:—

First—It must be conceded that one man or one woman is just as much the offspring or child of God, by nature, as another, and that if one needed a special revelation all needed a special revelation. And to give a special revelation to a mere fraction of the human race, leaving the great mass of mankind to go to destruction, would be the very climax of injustice. The New Testament has been in the world from fifteen to sixteen hundred years, during which time not more than one in a hundred thousand have possessed it. As to the Old Testament, there were but very few copies in the world previous to the commencement of the Christian era (so called).

Second—A written revelation to be interpreted requires an artificial accomplishment—namely, the art of reading. That hardly one in as many hundred thousand have possessed within the last thirty centuries.

Third—It is self-evident that a God of infinite wisdom and justice would, if man had needed a special revelation, have one not dependent upon parchment, pens, ink and artificial accomplishments, that only the wealthy and favored have possessed; but it would be as plain as the sun light, as free as the air to all nations, tongues and kindreds, not likely to interpolations and mistranslations, not requiring six or eight huge volumes of commentaries to peruse, and find yourself, as in the beginning, in utter darkness. Instead of being given to a small and obscure nation in a little corner of the earth and in one language it would have been given to all nations and in all languages.

Instead of that huge and ponderous volume abounding in contradictions, and from which all manner of doctrines can be proved and disproved, and to make clear requires from £200 to £500 a year; instead of this, a few short and simple precepts only would be needed to teach man his duties.

First—To accept the Bible as a special revelation from God to man, we must believe that God is partial and unjust, unworthy the love and confidence of man, and can only be looked upon as an infinite monster of cruelty and injustice.

Second—That a sad want of wisdom would be manifest in providing means to an end; that is, in giving man a special revelation in such a manner that not one in a thousand would ever hear of, and not one in fifty thousand could ever read if they possessed it.

Third—We should have to believe that God gave man a special revelation, not only abounding in contradictions, but in such an ambiguous and indefinite a manner that it leads its adherents to slaughtering each other until millions of human lives had been sacrificed. JUNIUS.

FORTY-FOURTH STREET SYNAGOGUE.

The Story of Naaman's Leprosy—The Character Introduced—Sermon by Rev. S. M. Isaacs.

A comparatively small congregation gathered in this synagogue yesterday morning, to whom the sanitary laws of Judaism were read, and subsequently Rev. Mr. Isaacs preached a short discourse on the four characters introduced to us in the story of Naaman's leprosy and cure, as found in 2 Kings, chapter v. The immediate text was the thirteenth verse—"And his (Naaman's) servants came near and spake unto him and said, My father, if the prophet had bid thee do some great thing wouldst thou not have done it? how much rather, then, when he saith to thee

WASH AND BE CLEAN?"

The four characters introduced in this narrative are Naaman, a Jewish maiden, the Prophet Elisha and his servant, Gehazi. On three of them we can look with favor, but on the fourth with disgust. The first character we behold is Naaman, the captain of the host of the King of Syria—a great man with his master, and honorable, but he was a leper, shut out from the associations of home and from contact with his fellow men. All his glory seemed to have departed from him. He was wretched, and hardly knew what to do. But in this, his extremity, our second character appears, in the person of a little captive Jewish maiden, who had been brought into Syria and placed in Naaman's family and waited upon his wife. She had heard of the sickness of Naaman, and in conversation with her mistress recommended the great captain to go to Samaria, where the prophet of the Lord resided, who could recover him of his leprosy. Here was an illustration, by this captive Jewish girl, of sanctifying the Lord. Women of Israel, exclaimed the rabbi, here you

HAVE SOMETHING TO BE PROUD OF.

She did not say, "Let him die; let him rot with his foul and hateful disease; he is the enemy of my country and of my people." No; her sympathy and her faith overcame her prejudices, if she had any such, and she showed him where he might find relief and healing. That poor little girl, captive and alone, a stranger in a strange land—the death of Naaman might have been her restoration to liberty and home; but yet she did what she could to save his life. Her recommendation came to the ears of Naaman, whose king sent a letter to the King of Israel, but without avail. The leper himself must go to the prophet if he would be cured. Naaman did go to Samaria; but notice how sadly disappointed he was. He stood at the door of Elisha and waited for the man of God to come out to him, and stand, and call in the name of the Lord his God and strike his hand over the place and recover the leper. But Elisha did not even deign to see him. He sent a messenger to tell the great chieftain that he should go and wash in Jordan seven times, and his flesh should return unto him and be clean?

NAAMAN WENT AWAY IN A RAGE,

muttering audibly to himself, "Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel? Humbug! I'll not go to Jordan and wash ther eseven times. I'll go back again to my own land and never again put faith in Jewish maids or prophets." But as he went along muttering thus his servants came near, and, in the words of the text, said unto him:—"If the prophet had bid thee do some great thing would'st thou not have done it? How much rather, then, when he saith unto thee wash, and be clean?"

But mark the beautiful spirit of Elisha. He did not refuse to serve this man because he was a heathen and an enemy to Israel. The prophet saw in him

A MAN AND A BROTHER,

and gave him such advice as, when taken, demonstrated that there was a prophet in Israel—that there was a balm in Gilead, and there the physician resided. And when Naaman came up out of the Jordan the seventh time, with his flesh restored like unto that of a little child, he and all his company returned unto the man of God rejoicing in the great change he had experienced, and recognizing the God of Elisha as the only living and true God. And so far as we may infer from the narrative he remained steadfast in this faith unto the end of his mortal life. In the exuberance of his joy he pressed Elisha to accept a present, a blessing at his hand. But the prophet steadily and peremptorily refused. Then came on the scene our fourth character, Gehazi, the servant of Elisha, and a picture of meanness and covetousness which we cannot look upon without disgust. He said to himself, "My master is a strange man to refuse this present from Naaman; as the Lord liveth I will run after him and take somewhat of him." He little thought how much he might weaken the faith of the Syrian captain in Israel's God by this act, or how much he was guilty of profaning the name of the Lord. And when he

CAME BACK, LADEN WITH HIS PLUNDER,

he lied unto the prophet; but Elisha knew exactly where his servant had been, and he laid upon him the leprosy of Naaman, and Gehazi went out from his master's presence a leper as white as snow.

There are in our age many Jews who by sin in the service of God are as lepers in His sight. They are brought to the minister, but when he tells them to wash and be clean, to leave off their evil ways and to become meritorious, they laugh at him and ask if we expect them in this enlightened age to perform divers ceremonies and to adhere to dietary regulations. Are not Abana and Pharpar, they say, as good for us as Jordan. To such he would say, in the language of his text, "If the prophet had bid thee do some great thing, wouldst thou not have done it."

The modern ideas are not as good and as pure as the ancient. Let us examine the characters presented to us in the old books, and let mothers bring prominently before their daughters the character of this little Jewish maid, that they may imitate it. Mr. Isaacs closed with prayer for the Divine blessing to strengthen the purposes and the faith of weak Israelites.

TEACHER GALLAGHER'S DEFENCE.

Witnesses for Rebuttal of the Intoxication Allegations—Charge of Intimidating Witnesses.

The inquiry into the case of A. T. Gallagher, principal of grammar school No. 31, was resumed before the committee at the Board of Education Building yesterday. The evidence was entirely for the defence and presented but few differences, being all of the highly commendatory kind.

Marshal Tooker, the defendant's counsel, before offering further evidence, called the attention of the committee to the fact that he had written a letter to Mr. Davenport, deputy clerk to the Board of Education, asking for blank summonses to call witnesses, and had received a letter from that gentleman in reply stating that he could not furnish them unless counsel gave a list of the names of his witnesses. He was unwilling to do this, as he had reason to suspect

A COURSE OF INTIMIDATION

on the part of the prosecution in their regard, his witnesses being principally in the employ of the Board. He gave as instance the case of Miss Adele Bassie, who for eight years had taught drawing at school 31. She was a teacher in the normal school, and had been paid extra for her work at school 31. Since giving evidence in the case in favor of the defendant her salary for the extra duty had been cut off. This, he charged, was done with the calculation of intimidating witnesses.

The first witness called was officer Sherwood, the truant officer, who testified that Mr. Gallagher

WAS NOT INTOXICATED

on the 14th of February. He had known the defendant for a length of time, and had never seen him intoxicated.

Patrick Malone, janitor of the school, stated that he had held his position for six years, and had never seen Gallagher under the malign influence during that period; would have known it if he was; recalled the 14th of February through the fact of an inspection visit, and was certain that Mr. Gallagher was then sober.

Ex-School Trustee William Dougherty had been forty years a citizen of the Seventh ward; was connected with the schools for years;

VISITED BOTH DAY AND NIGHT SCHOOLS

several times and never saw him inebriated.

"Would you have been aware of it if he was?"

"I should think so."

He always treated witness courteously; never heard any complaint from the other teachers.

Officer Gibson had been eighteen months on the post, where it was his duty every other day to see the scholars go in and come out; saw Mr. Gallagher constantly during that period, and never observed anything of a liquory nature in his actions; he would know when a man was drunk.

Officer Michael Wilkinson, for thirty-nine years a Seventh warder, had known Mr. Gallagher; for three or four terms it was his duty to look after

POLICE MATTERS AT THE SCHOOL;

at Mr. Gallagher's request he escorted young ladies home to preserve them from insult; was there every night but Saturday; never knew Mr. Gallagher to be absent but one night; had repeatedly conversed with him; never saw him under the influence of liquor.

Defendant's counsel here stated that these gentlemen had been examined because a witness for the prosecution, Miss Carrie V. Franklin, had stated in evidence that sobriety was the exception with his client and intoxication his rule.

Miss Franklin, tastefully dressed, was present, with a lady friend, and took this with a smile. Two young gentlemen on the seat in front of the two ladies

NEARLY DISLOCATED THEIR NECKS

several times in an endeavor to communicate to them their doubtless profound thoughts.

Miss Mary E. Culligan, dressed in quiet black, with a rose in her hat, was called. She had been a pupil in grammar school No. 31, under Mr. Gallagher's principalship; for three years she had been a teacher in the same school as assistant in the primary department; graduated from school No. 12; never noticed Mr. Gallagher intoxicated; heard no talk about it; was never abused by him in any way; was not at present in school 31, having been transferred.

An affidavit from another teacher, Rosanna A. Ennis, of the same tenor, was read. Martin Collins, teacher, evening school No. 31; Patrick O'Reilly, grammar school No. 12, and Richard Walters, of East Broadway, formerly a Seventh ward trustee, also testified to his sobriety. The last witness spoke of an attempt made to remove Gallagher in 1864; Mr. Shiels and others had approached him, but he refused his vote for the removal; was thirty years in the ward;

NEVER KNEW A SCHOOL TRUSTEE

competent to examine a class.

Counsel then made a statement as to the defectiveness, with one exception (a Mr. Goidy), of Mr. Gallagher's vice principals, and read a number of laudatory extracts from the visitors' book of the school.

The evidence will probably be closed at the next sitting of the committee.

KIDNAPPING A CONVICT.

Singular Developments at Sing Sing Prison—Daring Attempt to Release a Convict.

A bare-faced attempt to smuggle a convict out of Sing Sing Prison in broad daylight, and from under the (should be) vigilant eyes of the keepers and guards, was brought to light on Friday, barely in time to frustrate the audacious scheme. During the forenoon of the day named an ex-keeper of the prison named Justus Sprague, who is employed as coachman by one of the contractors, drove to the prison in a buggy, and while there was seen in earnest conversation with a convict named John Miller, who is said to be a notorious pickpocket. Not more than twenty minutes had elapsed when Miller was missed by his keeper, and the suspicious conduct of Sprague at once pointed to the probable direction he had taken. Accordingly some of the prison officials proceeded to the premises of Sprague's employer, distant about a mile and a half, where they found Miller in a stable, dressed in some of the ex-keeper's clothes and apparently ready to again inflict himself on the community. Miller was conducted back to the prison, and Sprague, having been taken before Justice Howe, was committed to the county jail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

THE AMBULANCE CORPS.

The Uniform to be Worn—How the Surgeons Are to be Known.

The surgeons and attachés of the ambulance bureau connected with Bellevue Hospital have so often experienced inconvenience from crowds of persons at the places where the doctors' services have been required that it has been found desirable to adopt a uniform dress, in order that all the officers of the bureau shall at once be recognized upon appearing in the locality to which their duty summons them. Warden Brennan has, on this account, been instrumental, at the expressed desire of the surgeons and attachés of the ambulance corps, in causing to be adopted a uniform for all the members of the corps, so that the trouble and encumbrance already experienced shall be prevented in the future. The drivers of the ambulances are to wear a sack coat of dark gray cloth, with black velvet collar and cuffs; a cap of dark gray cloth, with black velvet band, with gilt shield in centre, marked, "Ambulance Bureau" and numbered. The surgeons are to wear a blue undress coat, with brass buttons; blue military cap, with gold cord, having in centre a wreath surrounding the word "Ambulance." The pants are also to be uniformly the same, but are to be regulated by the surgeons themselves, according to the season of the year.

TWO CENTURIES OLD.

Re-interrment of the Celebrated Roe Family and Their Slaves—An Old Landmark Gone.

When slavery was a legalized institution in the Northern States the Roe family, of Port Jefferson, had upward of one hundred in servitude. The family lived there in 1666, but are now departed. They had a family burying ground, and to-day the only tombstone capable of being deciphered bears date 1711. All the family and slaves were buried there. The old landmark has been destroyed during the past week, and the bones re-interred in the village cemetery, so as to give place to a highway.

NEW YORK CITY.

The following record will show the changes in the temperature for the past twenty-four hours in comparison with the corresponding day of last year, as indicated by the thermometer at Hudnut's Pharmacy, HERALD Building, corner of Ann street:—

	1870.	1871.		1870.	1871.
3 A. M.	51	60	3 P. M.	67	61
6 A. M.	50	59	6 P. M.	62	59
9 A. M.	65	60	9 P. M.	58	54
12 M.	67	63	12 P. M.	56	52

Average temperature yesterday 58½
Average temperature for corresponding date last year 59½

There were, during the week ending last Friday night, 538 deaths, 37 still births, 337 births and 183 marriages reported to the Register of Records.

Fire Marshal McSpedon reports twenty-seven fires for the week ending April 22, 1871, at noon. The estimated loss is $48,025; amount of insurance, $372,400.

The number of arrests by the police for the week ending April 21 was 1,477. The arrests each day were as follows:—Saturday, 225; Sunday, 165; Monday, 216; Tuesday, 199; Wednesday, 222; Thursday, 215, and Friday, 235.

Mr. Marshall, LL. D., author of "Christian Missions," who has been lecturing with great success throughout the country, will lecture at Steinway Hall on Tuesday evening, under the auspices of the Xavier Alumni Sodality.

Marshal Hart during the past week has granted the following licenses and renewals of the same:—Express, 22; carts and cartmen, 63; venders, 35; coach, 1; boarding houses, 2; porters, 6; drivers, 82; dog cart, 1; total, 212. Total amount received, $378 50.

Mr. G. D. Cardozo, Chief of the Ordinance Bureau, makes the following weekly report:—Whole number of complaints received for violations of various city ordinances, ninety-three, of which twenty-three have been remedied, and the balance referred to the proper departments for settlement.

Mr. Bernard Smythe, the Tax Receiver, reports that he has collected the following amounts for taxes during the past week:—

April 15	$4,637	April 19	$10,450
April 17	6,434	April 20	2,192
April 18	27,583	April 21	1,268
Total			$52,567

Mr. James Donahue, Superintendent of the Free Labor Bureau, Nos. 8 and 10 Clinton place, makes the following report of business for the week ending April 22:—Applications for employment, 1,115. Of these there were 172 males and 943 females; male help required, 104; females, 1,054; situations procured for 101 males and 899 females. Whole number of situations procured for the week ending April 22, 951.

Eugene Glass called at the house of Adolph Jacobs, 137 Henry street, yesterday afternoon, and told the housekeeper he was sent there by Mr. Jacobs to take the parlor carpets away to be cleaned. Fifty-five yards of the carpet were delivered to him, and he carried it as far as Pike and Division streets, where he tried to sell it for five dollars. He was arrested by officer Roughan, of the Seventh precinct, and brought to Essex Market Court. Judge Ledwith held him for trial under $500 bail.

Yesterday afternoon Mr. James J. Gumbleton, Deputy Sheriff, sold by public auction, in the vestibule of the City Hall, by virtue of several writs of execution, the right, title and interest of the West Side and Yonkers Patent Railway Company, otherwise called the Elevated Railway Company, upon a judgment obtained by William S. Woodward, Daniel Dows and others in the Supreme Court, for $214,405 93, this being the amount of the plaintiffs' claim against the company; and Mr. Gumbleton sold to Francis H. Lows the defendants' interest, to the amount of $5,000, the balance of the amount of judgments in the company being covered by mortgages.

SANDMEN AND LANDSMEN.

Men Who Work Sunday and Week Day—The Sand Boatmen on a Strike—The Way They Work.

In these days of combinations among workmen against employers the wonder is, not that the sandmen have gone on "strike," but that they did not strike much sooner. Not many of the general public have ever taken the trouble to inquire in how many branches of industry sand is an indispensable commodity. There are two kinds of sand—the brown, procured chiefly at Staten Island and Cow Bay, and the white, at Far Rockaway and Coney Island. The boats which bring to New York white sand are of larger tonnage and make fewer trips, but the wages is the same—four dollars a trip, going and coming, loading and unloading included. Both skippers and "men before the mast" have

GONE ON STRIKE

since Monday for one dollar per trip additional, and they came to the conclusion, in a gathering held at the pier foot of Seventeenth street, that they would hold out the whole summer rather than return to work at the old rates.

Their case, on their own showing, is rather a hard one. They work winter and summer, day and night, Sunday and week day. For them the sweet sound of the Sabbath chimes announcing "the hour of hymn and prayer" brings only bitter regrets at the hard lot that condemns them to eternal toil. "The lights of the distant village, that gleam through the rain and mist," only serve to remind them of the home comforts enjoyed by the rest of the world, while they,

KNEE DEEP IN THE OOZY SAND,

delve and work far into the night; or strain at the ropes, as their rude boats are tossed on the angry waters. It is a hard life, made all the harder when they come to the pier, and in seasons when large orders for sand come in they find "jumpers" employed unloading at three to four dollars a day, while they get but four dollars for the trip. The sandmen number nearly 600, have a high character for honesty and the domestic virtues, and the sympathies of a large section of the store keepers and people of the East side. They have been

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by rumors that the boat owners intend, rather than concede their demands, to hire new hands at Castle Garden; but they all declare they will not resort to any illegal means, but positively assure every one who speaks to them on the subject that they only intend to send delegates among the "greenhorns" to represent the real state of the case, believing that any man who can wield a spade or handle an oar will prefer seeking employment in some other way before interfering with claims so reasonable and just. They have no fears as to the result and say the business is so profitable for the boat owners that the strike will, in a day or two, be terminated to the satisfaction of all parties.

PIETY IN A POLICE COURT.

A Graduate from the Brooklyn Young Men's Christian Association in Trouble.

W. B. Campbell, who has been a member of the Young Men's Christian Association of Brooklyn for some time past and who has been honored with the appointment of a position on the Reception Committee of that organization, was before Justice Buckley yesterday afternoon to answer a charge of having obtained about $100 on false representations. The young man in question bore an excellent character, and was engaged as an advertising agent on the Brooklyn *Programme* by Mr. T. B. Sidebotham, Jr. He was discharged about the 1st day of April. Campbell after his discharge went about among the advertisers and collected various sums, which, as alleged, he failed to return to Mr. Sidebotham. He collected $50 from M. A. Brown & Co., 24 Broad street, New York; $22 from J. Sleebel, corner of Fulton and Tillary streets, Brooklyn; $5 from Mr. C. Waggnor, of Fulton street, and various sums from other parties. The hearing of the case was adjourned for one week, and the accused was liberated on bail furnished by his uncle.

FLOOD IN THE MISSISSIPPI.

Crevasse Below New Orleans.

[From the New Orleans Picayune, April 18.]

At this time, when the defective levees are every moment pregnant with danger, the community are watching anxiously for news from below. Thanks to the energy of those in authority the levees above the city have been in a measure secured, but it is not so further down. At nine o'clock Chief of Police Badger received intelligence that a crevasse had occurred at Maurepas plantation, two miles below the United States Barracks. At this point the river has been even with the banks for several days, and the high wind last night caused the waters to wash over in great force. This soon worked a channel at the weakened point, and the flood now rushes through it with extraordinary violence. A strong force of laborers were immediately put to work on the levee, and a counter levee is being rapidly completed. It is hoped that the danger will be averted in a few hours. The river is now at a stand fill, although it rose several inches during the night. There is little doubt now that it is above the high water mark of 1862.

DELAWARE PEACHES.—The Delaware peach crop promises to be a most abundant one. The trees were full of blossoms, which were not injured in the least by the recent cold weather. Unless accompanied by rain or snow, cold weather does not, except it be very severe, affect the fruit in the early stages of its growth.

LITERATURE.

Criticisms of New Books.

THE HISTORY OF THE BOSTON PEACE JUBILEE OF 1869. By Patrick S. Gilmore. Boston: 1871.

There are very few people in this country who have not heard much of P. S. Gilmore, of Boston; and fewer still who will not remember the famous peace jubilee and musical festival which he got up there a couple of years ago. It was subjected to a great deal of ridicule and comment, and it also received a great deal of praise; but whatever the real merits of the affair may have been, none can deny that it attracted large crowds from all sections of the Union, and that the majority of the visitors went away satisfied that the mammoth entertainment was in all respects a grand success. In the mind of Mr. Gilmore it was so eminently successful that he is now contemplating another stupendous pandemonium, which, in point of magnitude, will render the one of 1869 comparatively insignificant. Instead of a chorus of fifteen or twenty thousand there will be fifty thousand voices, and probably all the available wind and string instruments and booming artillery in America will be secured as an accompaniment. The Coliseum which is to be erected will have a capacity for hundreds of thousands, and the whole world will be invited to come and participate. Instead of consuming only four or five days it will occupy a fortnight or three weeks, and everything else incidental to the grand powwow will be on an equally gigantic scale. The details have all been conceived and decided upon, and now that there is peace on the other side of the water they will be carried forward without delay. Probably, however, a couple of years or more will elapse before the great event will take place, and during the intervening time Mr. Gilmore will have ample opportunity to make his arrangements both in this country and in Europe. He has not yet decided whether to select New York or Boston for the scene of the great ovation, but it is more than probable that he will settle upon the locality of his former magnificent triumph.

During the past year Mr. Gilmore has been engaged in the preparation of a history of the jubilee which took place in Boston in June, 1869. It is a work of nearly five hundred pages, and will be issued in a very few days. The writer begins with a graphic description of the idea of the great jubilee when it first occurred to him, and then tells in a pleasant and entertaining way how all his friends looked upon him as crazy when he disclosed to them the secret of his impressions of the project. He felt, however, within his own heart that the idea was worthy of the support of the nation, and if carried out would receive the applause of the world. "Go where he would," he says, "that great chorus, with its thousands of voices, kept roaring in his ears and the crash of a thousand instruments filled the world around him with enchanting harmony. Look where he might, the vision of a magnificent structure, filled with a vast multitude from all parts of the nation, met his gaze." The primary object of the undertaking, all will remember, was a celebration in honor of peace. At this time it was, however, still a question whether or not there was peace throughout the country. The public mind was much disturbed by the unsettled condition of affairs in many of the Southern States, and serious difficulties existed between President Johnson and Congress, which resulted in his being brought before the tribunal of the Senate to answer the charge of malfeasance in office. It is sufficient to state that, in the early days of the excitement attending the impeachment trial, Mr. Gilmore was reluctantly forced to the conclusion that under the then existing circumstances any movement to celebrate "the restoration of peace throughout the land" would be looked upon as ill-judged and out of time, and should not be attempted until the political aspects were more favorable.

The excitement created by the impeachment trial of President Johnson had scarcely died away when the Presidential campaign of 1868 began. From the moment of his nomination it was evident that General Grant would be called to the high office so sadly made vacant by the tragic death of Lincoln; but his popularity only made the contest the more exciting, the enthusiasm of the contestants increasing up to the last moment of the canvass. To this point the projector had been looking as through a lengthened vista for weary, weary days, gathering all his strength for the contest upon which he was to enter when the political actors had withdrawn from the arena.

One idea of Mr. Gilmore was to have the jubilee take place in Washington on the occasion of the inauguration of President Grant, and obtain an appropriation from Congress to aid in carrying it forward. This suggestion was duly considered, but the prospects of an appropriation were not flattering, the requisite number of singers could not be gathered there, and the idea was abandoned. No reduction of the musical talent could be entertained—the affair must be carried out where it could be carried out the most effectively.

Many friends to whom the projector had made known his plans advised him to start the enterprise in New York. Besides being the commercial metropolis of the nation, they argued, its greater wealth and population, as well as other advantages, made New York more desirable for such a costly demonstration than any other city in the Union. True, New York did have many advantages over Boston, and a proper regard for the opinion of his friends induced Mr. Gilmore to visit that city to see what encouragement could be obtained. He went up to Central Park and looked at various unoccupied enclosures up town, searching for a proper site on which the contemplated Coliseum might be erected. There was plenty of ground. Could the means and influence to secure it be found? But means and influence to secure the ground and erect the building were not all that was wanted. There must be music, great music—the most powerful orchestra and chorus ever brought together. One of the features of the festival, too, was to be a chorus of twenty thousand children from the public schools. New York could supply this number without requiring a child under twelve years of age to take part; and the effect of such a chorus of fresh young voices, with the accompaniment of a thousand musicians, even in plain and simple music, would be grand and inspiring beyond description. But though all the money to carry out the enterprise should be subscribed in New York, it would be a failure, in the estimation of the originator, and fall short of its purpose, if the great choral features could not be introduced. Therefore, before making serious attempts to secure the pecuniary means he deemed it advisable to make inquiry regarding some of the musical features.

To ascertain about securing the chorus of 20,000 children Mr. Gilmore called upon Thomas Boesé, then of the Board of Education of New York. "Well, sir, what is the good news from Boston?" inquired Mr. Boese after Mr. Gilmore had introduced himself. "Nothing special," replied the musical missionary. "I have called to ask a few questions relating to music in the public schools; to learn to what extent it is taught in New York and if children receive sufficient instruction in that branch to enable them to sing well together in large numbers."

"Well," replied Mr. Boesé, "we employ many of the very best music teachers, and our children are supposed to be as far advanced and as proficient in music as those of any other city."

"Quite enough," said Mr. Gilmore. "My reason for seeking the information is this:—Here is the prospectus of a musical festival. If you will be kind enough to read it you will see that one of the features which it embraces is a chorus of twenty thousand children, about which I wish to speak with you."

Upon hearing the announcement "twenty thousand children" Mr. Boese pushed his chair back some distance, and, gazing at the speaker with a look of utter astonishment, commenced unfolding the large sheet handed him. As each conspicuous head-line met his eye he looked from the paper to his visitor with a puzzled, doubtful expression.

Mr. Boese did not take the trouble to read the details; he simply glanced hastily at the prominent lines:—"One thousand musicians," "Ten thousand mixed voices in oratorio chorus," "Twenty thousand children in national airs," "Building to hold fifty thousand people," "Expense about two hundred thousand dollars," "A million strangers will visit New York," &c., &c. He had seen all this, or all he wanted to see of it, had folded the paper, and was on his feet in far less time than one of these lines could be written.

"Beau-ti-ful!" said he, handing back the manuscript, in a voice which fell upon his visitor's ear with an effect decidedly otherwise than beautiful.

"Well," said the latter, completely nonplussed at the state of things, and making the best effort to recover from the embarrassment which the reception of his "great idea" occasioned—"well, what do you think of it?"

"Won-der-ful!" exclaimed the man of learning, opening the door for Mr. Gilmore to depart; at the same time adding, "As important business requires my immediate attention, I must bid you good morning."

When Gilmore left it was with the feeling that a peace jubil