THE CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

CORPORATION COUNSEL SMITH ON THE EFFECT OF THE CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS ON THE APPROPRIATIONS FOR CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS FOR 1875.

The Counsel to the Corporation, E. Delafield Smith, in compliance with the requisition of the Comptroller, has given his opinion to that official upon the effect of the recent constitutional amendments upon the action of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment of the 24th December, 1874, directing the payments of moneys to certain charitable institutions for the year 1875, and reaches the following conclusions:—

The constitutional amendments to article 8, sections 10 and 11, do not prohibit the city from making provision for the aid and support of the poor through any agencies or instruments heretofore created or sanctioned by legislative act for the relief of the destitute.

The legislative sanction of such means, contemplated by amendment 11, comprehends existing charitable institutions organized by law, as well as those which may be created after the adoption of the amendment.

The appropriations for the charitable institutions for the year 1875, by resolution of the Board of Estimate and Apportionment, passed December 24, 1874, were made for the entire year before the constitutional amendments came into operation, and could not be affected by those amendments.

The amendments which had given rise to the doubt on the part of the Comptroller as to the propriety of continuing the payments thus directed are contained in sections 10 and 11, added to article 8 of the constitution of 1846, which are as follows:—

SECTION 10.—Neither the credit nor the money of the State shall be given or loaned to or in aid of any association, corporation or private undertaking. This section shall not, however, prevent the Legislature from making such provision for the education and support of the blind, the deaf and dumb and juvenile delinquents as to it may seem proper. Nor shall it apply to any fund or property now held, or which may hereafter be held, by the State for educational purposes.

SEC. 11.—No county, city, town or village shall hereafter give any money or property, or loan its money or credit, to or in aid of any individual, association or corporation, or become directly or indirectly the owner of stock in or bonds of any association or corporation, nor shall any such county city, town or village be allowed to incur any indebtedness, except for county, city, town or village purposes. This section shall not prevent such county, city, town or village from making such provision for the aid or support of its poor as may be authorized by law.

After referring to the number and character of the various institutions in the city, to which an aggregate of $825,905 has been appropriated for the year 1875 in various sums, and to the general method of construction and interpretation of constitutional amendments, Mr. Smith proceeds to the elucidation of what he argues as the true meaning and operation of the section quoted. The tenth section, while it prohibits any grant by the legislation of the credit or money of the State as a loan to or in aid of any association, corporation or private undertaking, in order not to cripple the legislative power entirely in respect to certain peculiar objects of bounty, declares that the prohibition shall not prevent the Legislature from making such provision as to it may seem proper for three special classes of persons—the blind, the deaf and dumb and juvenile delinquents. By this clause certain exceptional objects are established, to which the money or credit of the State may be loaned or given, and this has an important bearing upon the construction of the eleventh section relating to the powers of counties, cities, towns and villages. This latter section, while providing that no city, county, town or village shall give any money or credit to, &c., like the tenth section, establishes an exception to the proposition, it being declared that "this section shall not prevent any such county, city, town or village from making such provision for the aid or support of its poor as may be authorized by law." Says the counsel:—

It is to be observed that the authorized provision is not confined to the mere "support," or feeding, or clothing, or sheltering of the poor, but it extends also to their "aid," which may in the case of infants and other destitute persons falling within the category of the "poor," comprehend reformatory or disciplinary training, or the healing of disease of body or mind; for not only is the "aid" of the poor a phrase sufficiently comprehensive to include relief from moral and physical evils of all kinds from which the poor cannot protect themselves, but this phrase is supplemented by an enlarging description which extends it to any kind of relief that is authorized by law.

This clause Mr. Smith understands to refer not only to such aid or support of the poor as may be authorized by law after the adoption of the amendment, but also to the existing provisions of law which were in operation at the time of its adoption. It has been suggested that the phrase "as may be authorized by law" is prospective only in its operation; but the phrase is a mere qualifying description or limitation of the kind of aid or support—that is, such aid or support as is authorized by law. The counsel then refers to the status of one of the charitable institutions of the city to show that any other construction would lead to consequences so grave as to render it necessary to reject it:—

That none of these institutions, having by law a special capacity to act in aid and support of the poor, were expected or intended by the framers of the amendment to be excluded from the aid of municipal funds, is manifest from the report of the Committee of the Revisers of the Constitution (Committee on Sectarian Appropriations), by whom the amendments were proposed. "Your committee," said the report, "are fully impressed with the belief that the proposed amendment will not seriously interfere with the great good accomplished by the orphan asylums, homes for the friendless, hospitals and other charitable institutions so freely scattered over our State. The Boards of Supervisors of the various counties and the Common Councils of the different cities have all the power they have heretofore had to pay to each class of said institutions the most liberal compensation for the care and support of the different classes of unfortunates for whom they were designed." * * * (See the report signed by E. W. Leavenworth, Chairman, March 15, 1873.)

ANOTHER VIEW.

There is another view of this subject, which conducts to the same conclusion, so far as the appropriations for 1875 are concerned. By the city charter of 1873 the Board of Estimate and Apportionment are directed at a certain time to "make an estimate of the amounts required to pay the expenses of conducting the public business of the city and county of New York, in each department and branch thereof, for the next ensuing financial year." When the estimate becomes final "the several sums" embraced in it become and are "appropriated to the several purposes and departments therein named." These provisions of the charter are to a certain extent a delegation of legislative power; for, while it is not competent for the Board to create new subjects or objects of expenditure, it is devolved upon the Board to determine and appropriate the amounts required for the public business of the city and county in each department and branch thereof. This is *pro tanto* a legislative function. The question is, then, whether the supplying of these institutions with the public funds of the city or county is a part of "the public business of the city and county" in any "department" or "branch" thereof. It has already been seen, if a correct view of the character of these institutions has been taken, that they are private corporations or associations, endowed by law with the power of relieving various wants of destitute persons, and organized by law for this special purpose. They stand, therefore, as substitutes for a great deal of public machinery which the city or county would have to provide for the relief of human suffering or leave it wholly unprovided for. While they are, in respect to their legal position and rights, private corporations or associations, they perform to a certain extent a public function. And it seems to me to be no fanciful and strained construction, but one resulting clearly from their functions and their relations to public objects, to regard so much of their affairs as is involved in supplying them with the aid of municipal funds as a part of the public business of the city in one of its branches. They were, then, entitled to have the estimate and appropriation made for them by the legislative action of he Board, if not cut off from this right by the constitutional amendment. But the amendment did not come into operation until January 1, 1875, and the final action of the Board was had on the 24th of December, 1874. It was an estimate and appropriation for the whole year 1875, and not for any part or fraction of the year, and, in my opinion, it stands unaffected by the constitutional amendment, although I am also of opinion that, even if the amendment were applicable to it, it is entirely consistent with the purpose and text of that amendment.

I am, therefore, of opinion that the payments contemplated by the appropriation of December 24, 1874, for the year 1875, under the head of "Asylums, Reformatories and Charitable Institutions," must be made. I am, sir, very respectfully yours,

E. DELAFIELD SMITH, Counsel to the Corporation.

THE METHODIST MINISTERS.

The discussion of the peculiar relations of Methodist ministers to one another arising out of the itinerancy was continued yesterday in the preachers' meeting by Drs. B. M. Adams, James Porter and J. M. Buckley. Dr. Adams took general grounds that there is nothing in the discipline of the Methodist Episcopal Church to prohibit any church or pastor from negotiating for ministerial services. He thought men got to their true level in the ministry as they did in any other calling or profession, and the men who got to the front in the ministry are the men who have intellectual and moral force in them, and to push any other class of men forward is to make complete failures. The itinerancy he considered the salvation of the average man, for without it he would be left to shift for himself, but with it he is provided with some plan to work for God and for the salvation of souls. Dr. Adams considered the ministry as a place for making money altogether too low a plane for any Christian man to go on. He would himself rather drive a team or gather ashes from house to house than enter or continue in the ministry unless he felt with the prophet that "woe is me if I preach not the gospel" and looked for his chief reward hereafter. Dr. Porter, who is a recognized authority on Methodist polity, defined the contract that is presumed to exist between the ministers of the Methodist Episcopal Church that they should not negotiate for places for themselves, but leave their appointments to the bishops. For twenty-six years when he was in the pastorate he kept his part of the contract, but he would not do so now if he were in the ministry.

THE CONTRACT HAS BECOME DEFUNCT.

Formerly the ministry alone made choice of the men who held their destiny, but at the last General Conference it was in the power of forty laymen to say who should be bishops and in whose hands the destiny of 10,000 or 12,000 ministers should rest. The contract having been broken, therefore, he should not feel bound to observe it if he were now in the ministry but would negotiate for the best place he could attain to and use all honorable means to get it. The bishops and presiding elders and the General Conference having fallen in with and indorsed the system of negotiating, he had no hope for a change and return to the old ways. Methodism is drifting in the direction of legal contracts between churches and ministers like the Protestant Episcopal Church, and he believed that by and by the bishops would have little or nothing to do but indorse those contracts. Old men and average men should therefore accept the inevitable as cheerfully and gracefully as possible. Mr. Buckley referred to the origin of Methodism to show that Mr. Wesley was a pope in the sense of making the appointments of his preachers without any regard to the wishes of the societies or of the ministers. This was the rule in the United States also, while the Church was small and feeble. Bishop Ashbury notes in his journal that at one conference he had shaken hands with all the Methodist preachers in America, and that he prayed for them by name every day. But now, when the Church numbers nearly two million members and ten thousand ministers in eighty conferences it is impossible for the bishops to have any such acquaintance as that with the preachers. They cannot possibly meet every conference oftener than once in six or eight years—a period altogether too long to admit of more than

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being made with the preachers. For this reason the bishops could not know the wants of the churches or of the ministers, and therefore could not make the appointments now as intelligently as aforetime. The prejudice that exists against presiding elders and the partiality that they too often show in appointments debars them from being the proper persons to decide the destinies of their brethren in the ministry. The matter is therefore legitimately referred to the people and the preachers to negotiate among themselves. When he had been applied to by church committees he had always agreed to serve them if they got the appointing power to send him. He had never said less or more and he would not stay in any denomination when he could not say that much. They had heard a great deal about the trials and annoyances of preachers, but not a word had been said for the churches. He would not pay pew rent in a church which kept a tobacco chewing or smoking minister. He believed as many churches are injured and annoyed by poor ministers as there are ministers hurt by poor appointments. A good deal might be said on one side as well as the other and he did not see what remedy could be proposed for the evils complained of. If they are evils they will right themselves by and by, and if any of his brethren had scruples about negotiating for themselves they should dismiss them and go ahead and do the best they can for themselves. Next Monday Dr. Warren, of St. John's church, Brooklyn, will read an essay on "Hymnology." The death of Dr. Patterson, of Philadelphia, was announced.

POST OFFICE NOTES.

The Postmaster reports that, contrary to general opinion, the detention of inland mails has been remarkably small, considering the fact of the severity of the weather and the generality of trouble usually incurred in such a season as this. The trains have not been much behind hand and the Western trains have run with more punctuality than before in years. The public has, therefore, had very little reason to complain in this respect. Regarding European mails there has been more reason for dissatisfaction. The weather at sea has been very boisterous, and all the lines are in consequence making very slow passages. Two of the German steamers, which also carry portions of the English mails, broke down in the English Channel—the Deutchsland and the Neckar—and their mails had to be transferred to other boats of other lines, which was the occasion of much loss of time and consequent annoyance to merchants and others. The worst of this is now over, however, and the mails will be more punctual in future, no doubt.

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Dated this 5th day of March, 1874.

B. F. WHITESTONE, chief Clerk.

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WANTED—BY A GENTLEMAN AND WIFE, FOR housekeeping, an unfurnished Floor in a private house; good location. Address, stating terms, &c., AMERICAN, Herald office.

WANTED—A FURNISHED FLAT OR LOWER PART of a house, for two grown persons, to the 1st of May or longer. Address, stating price and location, P., Herald Uptown Branch office.

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WANTED—BY A GENTLEMAN, A MEDIUM SIZED furnished Room, with gas and fire, between Twentieth and Thirty-fourth streets and Second and Seventh avenues; inquisitive parties need not answer, state price. Address box 3,232 Post office.

2 FURNISHED ROOMS, WITH PRIVILEGE OF light housekeeping; rooms connecting if possible; southern exposure, terms not over $40; between Ninth and Twenty-third streets and Third and Sixth avenues. Address H. V. R., Herald office.

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IN THE COUNTRY.—WANTED—FOR APRIL 1, A well furnished small House or Part of a large House, suitable for housekeeping, Staten Island or other pleasant part of country near down town; rent not to exceed $75 a month. Please address B. C. D., Herald Uptown Branch office.

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A.—$15,000 WORTH OF HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE for sale, in lots to suit; Pianoforte, cost $800, for $250; satin Parlor suit, cost $400, for $200; rep Suit, $55; Bedroom Suits, Carpets, Mirrors, Mattresses; 40 cents on the dollar; must be sold, on account of removal. Call private house 120 West 23d st., near 6th av.

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WANTED TO EXCHANGE—A DIAMOND CROSS, valued at $600, for a pair of Solitaire Knobs; would add some cash if suited. Call, Wednesday afternoon, at lumber office 317 West street.

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