The Democracy in Wisconsin.—The special session of the Legislature convened by the Governor, was held yesterday at Madison.

Kansas Matters.—The Chair stated the first in order was the consideration of the ordinance locating the permanent seat of government, with the ordinance reapportioning the Council districts in relation to the State Census, and the ordinance reapportioning the Representative districts in relation to the State Census, and the ordinance locating the site for the Capitol.

Mr. Ritchie moved to take up the ordinance reapportioning the Representative districts in relation to the State census, which was agreed to.

Mr. Ritchie moved to suspend all other business in relation to the ordinance, and that the vote on the passage of the ordinance be taken at two o'clock this day.

The Mayor also returned, with his veto, the bill authorizing a transfer of property on Buttonwood street, near Broad. He for the reason that the act of Assembly requires a sale to be by public vendue.

The bill was referred to the Committee on City Property.

The bill locating steam fire engines was brought in from the other Chamber, and passed over the veto of the Mayor—yeas 12, nays 7. And the Chamber adjourned.

COMMON BRANCH.—A quorum was present at 3 o'clock. The president stated the object of the meeting.

The Mayor's clerk was announced, who presented the following veto message of the bill in relation to

OFFICE OF THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PHILADELPHIA, July 18, 1860.

To the President and Members of the Common Council of the City of Philadelphia:

Gentlemen: At the last stated meeting of Councils, (July 5,) additional supplementary to an ordinance entitled an ordinance to locate "steam fire engines" was passed, from which I have withheld my signature.

The adjournment of Councils, at the same meeting, for a period of nine weeks, made it necessary for me to call a special meeting, for the reconsideration of such ordinance, which I return herewith to the Council in which it originated, assigning as objections thereto, that three of the steam engines authorized by it, are not required for the safety of the community, and it will scarcely be necessary to increase the annual appropriations for the Fire Department.

The ordinance of February 21, 1859, located sixteen steam fire engines in different portions of the city, all of which are in active service. To that order my approval was readily given, deeming the satisfaction of the steam fire engines of location liable to pressure.

On the 29th of March, 1859, a supplementary ordinance, locating four additional steam fire engines, was passed by Councils, and was returned to the Common Council, at their meeting of April 7th, 1859, with my objections—that no action was had thereon, at so late a period of the session, as to permit the bill to be considered within the constituted period for the exercise of such prerogative. Three of the new engines included in that ordinance now form part of the department, the fourth, which was to be located at Moyamensing Hall, has not been procured. Nineteen steam fire engines are now in service. The appropriations for their support during the current year, by ordinance of March 9, 1860, was $37,400. The estimated annual expenditure of the Fire Department, for the year 1861, is $40,000. Both of these sums are exclusive of the appropriations for the maintenance of the steam fire engines proposed to be located by the accompanying ordinance, to which I see no objection in its approval, and which I return herewith, with the recommendation that it be passed by the Select and Common Councils, as mended for the public welfare. The experience of a year with the present steam fire department has, it is believed, conclusively proven that the steam engines now in service are adequate to all emergencies, as regards the thickly-built portions of the city.

The location of the Fellowship Engine Company on Armat street, in the Twenty-second ward, would have been given without reading the name of the three other companies, which are deemed superfluous.

With the addition of such company in the Twenty-second ward, and the steam engine to Moyamensing Hall, ample provision would be made for the ready and efficient control and extinguishment of all conflagrations within the city limits.

The peremptory tones of the steam fire engine does not appear to be necessary for the maintenance of location, as in the case of the hand engine. The time required after an alarm to prepare for service is positively lessened by no small portion through the steam, when compared to the previous several minutes in the case of a fire.

The three companies last named in the ordinance, if provided with steam apparatus, would furnish no protection to property which is not already offered by the engines in their vicinity. It is conceded that the engine now at Callowhill, in the house of either of the three companies, would, at least four other steam engines could be brought together, for active service in the event of a conflagration of such magnitude as could justify the necessary expenditure.

Upon questions as to the places upon the location of steam fire engines, and the present annual appropriation is to be continued for their use, the expense of the fire department must depend, as it ever has done, upon the safety and security it will be legally demanded by the community.

Respectfully, etc. ALEXANDER HENRY,
Mayor of Philadelphia.

Mr. Fletcher chose to say that he had received from the Mayor his veto message, and was ready to call a committee of nine to consider the matter. He thought it useless to locate in the city any more steam fire engines. There were in the city twenty-three steam engines. In the First district there are six engines, viz: the Hibernians, Diligent, Good Will Engine and Good Will Hose. In the Second district there are seven, viz: Rescue, Vigilant, Philadelphia, Diligent, Good Will Engine and Good Will Hose. In the Third district, between Race and Green, there are four, viz: the Vigilant, Northern Liberty Engine, Northern Liberty Hose, Active, Independence, and Good Will Engine. In the Fourth district, there are the Northern Liberty Engine, Northern Liberty Hose, Active, Independence, and Good Will Engine. In the Fifth district, Good Will Engine and Good Will Hose. In the Fourth district, there are the Northern Liberty Engine, Northern Liberty Hose, Active, Independence, and Good Will Engine. In the Fifth district, Good Will Engine and Good Will Hose. In the Sixth district, there are the Hibernians, Diligent