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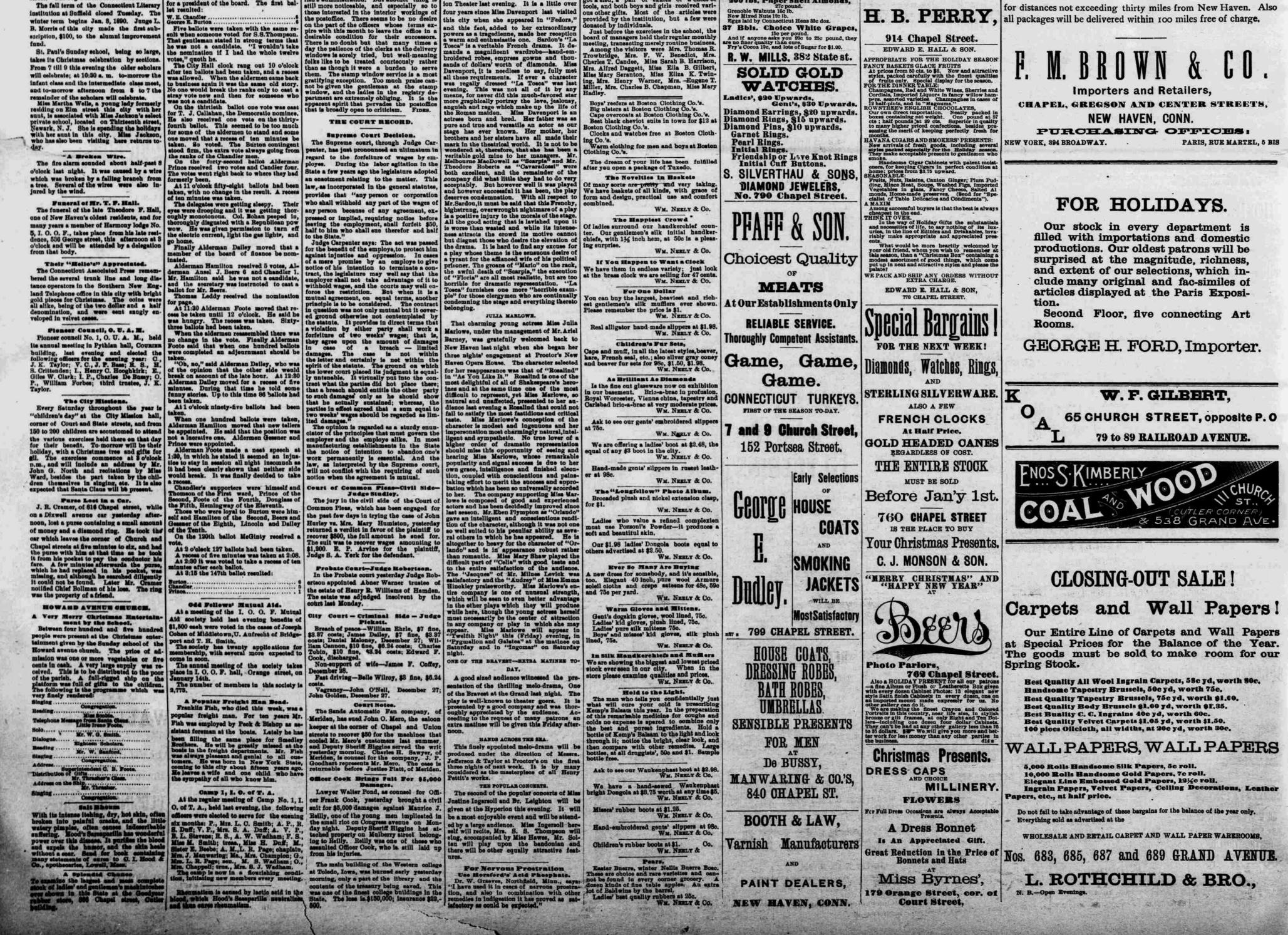
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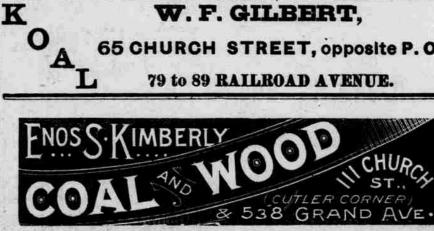


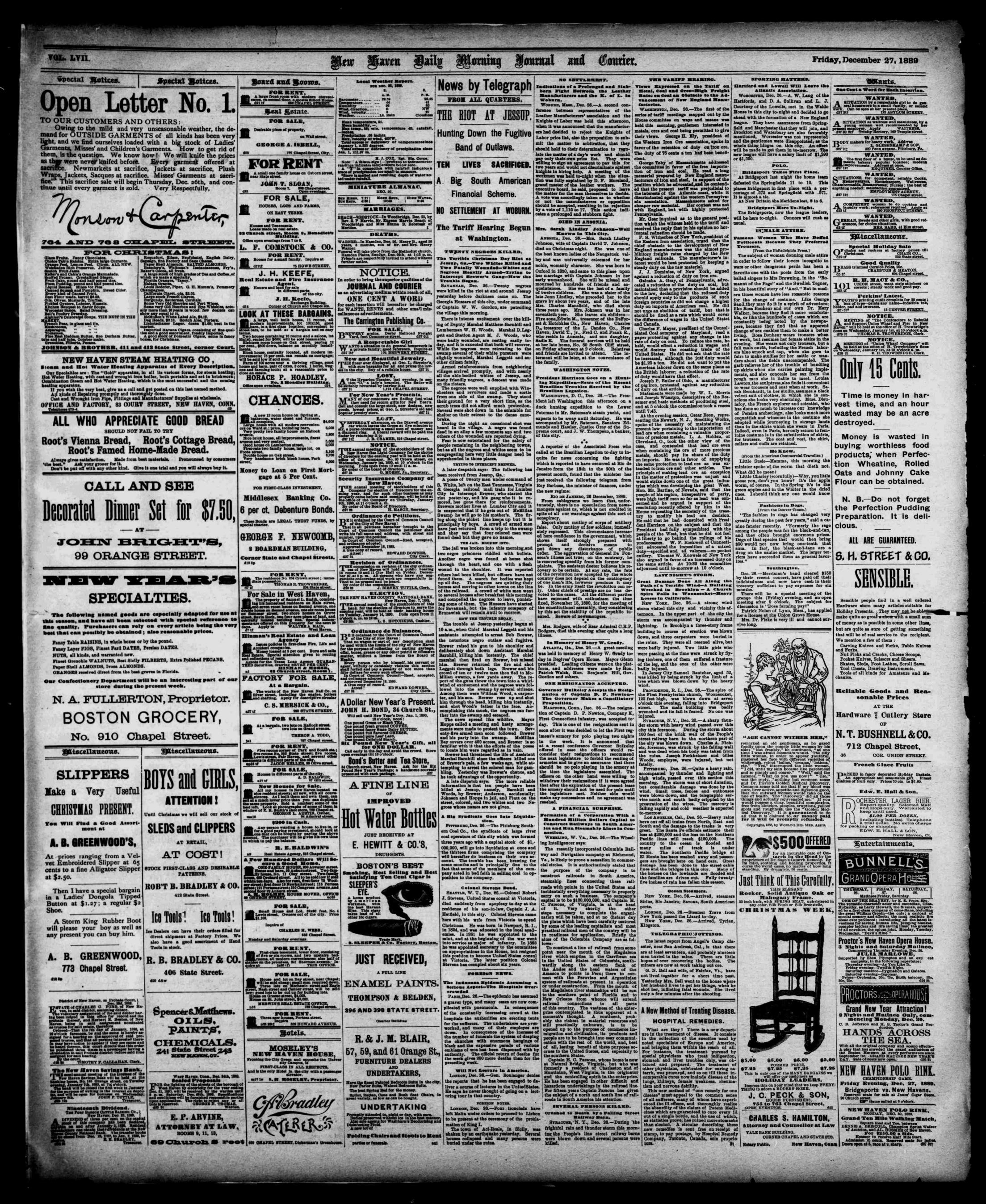
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"friends." Also one ton order from Judge Robertson, and five ton order from James Graham. Twenty-eight half tons have been sent and others will be issued during the holiday week. For this kind gift to the poor we

Religious Intelligence. The "Northwestern Congregationalist"

FAIR HAVEN NEWS. Rev. Joseph Cook's Visit - A Heavy Christmas Business at the Postoffice -A Big Ale Repository-Women Who Were Excellent Sallors-Handsoms Gift for Rev. Mr. Goedenough - A Chois Londor Remembered Choir Leader Remembered. Rev. Joseph Cook, the noted lecturer upon

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theological topics, is spending a few days at the home of his father-in-law, Descon Willis Hemingway. He has just returned from a short lecture tour in and around Philadelphia and Washington. He will leave Satur day for New York and Sunday will preach for Rev. Dr. Dewitt Talmadge. His wife, who was seriously ill one year ago, is now anjoying excellent health. Fred H. Hemingway, E. D. Smith and

Fred H. Hemingway, E. D. Smith and Walter Bishop, who were appointed by the society of the First church a committee to wait upon Gerald H. Beard and to officially inform him of his call to the pastorate of the church, have performed their mission and expect daily to receive his answer. On Sun-day the pulpit will be filled by E. L. Smith of the Divinity school.
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Moore left for Boston yesterday, Mr. Moore having secured a job in the rubber shop in that dity.
Postmaster Moore says that there was double the amount of Christmas mail matter sent from the Fair Haven office this year of any year prior. But little is received through the office, most of the incoming packages being delivered by carriers. Frank Carroll, the popular carrier in the Eleventh ward, received from his friends along the route a Christmas gift of \$7 in each.
The two story brick addition to the Quin-nipias brewery, 50 by 40 feet, and costing \$4,000, is nearly completed. The joiners are now putting on the roof. The building will cost about \$4,000. The addition is intended for the storage of ale, and the capacity is some 4,000 barrels.
The W. C. T. union will hold their regular Sunday afternoon meeting at Davenport church. Rev. M. S. Phillips will make the

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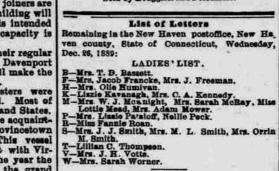
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Winsted and way stations. SUNDAYS-S:00 a. m. NORTHAMPTON DIVISION. FOR Shelburne Falls, Turner's Falls, Williamsburg, Holyoke and New Hartford and Intermediate stations, train-iesce New Haven at 7:45, 11:03 a. m. and *4:05 p. m. Hartford and Intermediate stations, trains and points this side, at 6:10 p. m. From Williamsburgh, Northampton, and points this side, at 6:10 p. m. From Williamsburgh, Northampton, and points this side, at 6:10 p. m. From Williamsburgh, Northampton, and points this side, at 6:10 p. m. Hart Statistics and from Shelburne Falls and intermediate stations at 1:17, 521 and 8:00 p.m. O. M. EHEPA:3D, p. C. T. HEMPSTEAD, Gent tal Sup't, Gen. Pass. Agent

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and 11:15 p. r. LEAVE ANBONIA As 5:49, 9:03, and 11:12 a. m., 12:20, 12:50, 2:25, 6:16, 6:51, 8:20 and 12:15 p. m. Bunday trains leave New Haven at 8:10 a. m. 6:10 p. m. Sunday trains leave Ansonia 7:20 a. m., 5:00 p. m. Connectious are mads at Ansonia with passenges trains of the Naugatuck railroad, and at New Haven with the trains of N.Y., N.H. & H. R. R. Market and the trains of N.Y., N.H. & H. R. R.

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TO THE STOCKHOLDERS OF THE ATCHISON, TOPEKA. SANTA FE

RAILROAD COMPANY In April last, we asked you to intrust to a your proxies, to be used at the annual ns your provies, to be used at the annual meeting of the company in May. This re-sulted in a change of management, the intro-duction of reforms and economies, and a notal reorganization of the company that has met general approval.

The met general approval. During the progress of this reorganization i has been frequently suggested in the ublic press and by numerous and large olders of the company's securities that it ould give greater stability to the reorgan-ed company if a management committed to be successful working out of the plan of organization, and absolutely in the interest the property, could be secured for several are.

m. consulting our own inclination and conve-oce, we would prefer to leave the man-ment of this great property to others; we recognize the force of the suggestion the necessity for some such arrange-at, and, as many shareholders believe that is advantages are likely to result to the

ment, and, as many shareholders believe that great advantages are likely to result to the holders of all classes of the company's se-curities from such co-operation, we have consented to act in the matter. Holders of Stock of the Atohison, Topeks & Santa Fe Bailroad Company may deliver their certificates, assigned upon the back in favor of George C. Magoun, Thomas Baring, Oliver W. Peabody and John J. McCook, to the BOSTON SAFE DEPOSIT AND TRUST COMPANY, 87 Milk Street, Boston, subject to an agreement that the title to such Stock and the voting power thereon shall be vested in our nominees or their successors, also to be named by us, for ten years, or until July 1, 1900. The Trust Company will issue Stock Trust

until July 1, 1900. The Trust Company will issue Stock Trust Certificates, entitling the holder to all the beneficial interest and advantages belonging to or growing out of the deposited shares and to the return of a like number of shares when the term of the trust has expired, unless the same shall be further extended by the respective parties in interest. Application will be made to have the Trust Certificates above referred to listed upon the New York, Boston and London Stock Exchanges.

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the Prudential Committee is su-when, in their judgment, it is expedient—in a manner prescribed—to appoint nome ether time of meeting than the pre-scribed "first Tuesday of October," so that there can be no difficulty in that direction. Rev. C. F. Clarke, who graduated last year from the Yale Divinity school, is settled in Machias, Maine, and on December 11th his

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Last Wednesday morning the Advertises in discussing the action taken the evening before by the prudential committee in the case of Mr. A. J. Covell, took occasion (while

 The appearing of the town of the second states provide the additional the angle of the second states are second and states the second states are second states are second and states the second states are second and states are second and states are second are se committee to appoint a calculate of what no ceptional fitness) to express the hope that no very serious evil would result from the post-ponement. That hope was based upon the understanding, which seemed warrauted by all that had at that time been revealed of the action of the committee, that the

tions of law arising on the trial of oriminal cases may be taken by the State * * * in the same manner and to the same effect as if made by the accused."

THE COVELL CASE AGAIN.

There the intention is unmistakable that by "questions of law arising on the trial" are meant all questions which could theretofore have been reviewed, either upon motions in error or motions for a new trial, and such has been the interpretation of the act by this court: Schlesinger vs. Ohapman, 52 Conn., 272; Brewster vs. Cowen, 55 Conn., 159. The stread constitution of the stread constitution o expressing deep regret at the failure of the mmittee to appoint a candidate of such ex-

benalons. Chief among these disquisting circum-stances is the sending to Mr. Covell of a most remarkable document, of which a com-prehensive summary will be found this morning in the column of Religious Outlock. The Advertiser is the first to make this "minute" known to the public, but through the action of certain officers of the board it the societ of certain officers of the board it

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etching entitled, "Cynthia," by members of the choir. The ploture was encased in a beautiful frame of oak with oxydized mat. Mr. Merrow has been the painstaking and efficient chorister of the church for many The statute in question (Revised statutes, sec. 1,637) reads as follows: "Appeals from the rulings and decisions of the Superior court * * " upon all ques-

years. The Quinniplae Social club will give a masquerade ball at the rink on the evening of December 31. Special gold prises of \$10 for the best costume and \$5 for the most comical costume will be offered. Music will be by J. J. Landrigan, with Curran as prompter. The march will be called at 8:30.

A New Year's Eve Ball. The first grand annual soirce given by th

Rabber Packers' Association of the Candee company will be given at old Union armory at the corner of Chapel and Union armory at the corner of Chapel and Union streets on New Year's eve, Tuesday, December 31. Music will be furnished by Thomas' full orohestra. Professor McDonald will prompt. Great preparations are being made for the event, and all who attend are assured of an enjoyable time.

PERILS IN PRITICOATS.

angers That Beset the Verdant Se lons From Designing Women. From the Chicago Times.] "There is one respect in which Washing

ton is the worst and most dangerous city on earth, and I know whereof I speak for I have satisfy the peo lived in all the gay capitals of the world. One fearful peril here besets the newcomer The appeal presents the single question as to whether or not the defendant was, under the allegations of the complaint, an officer or agent of the town of New Haven within the meaning of section 1,683 of the statutes. -more particularly the member of Congress -and that peril is in petticoats. You suppose, naturally, that I refer to women of torious character, but I do not. It is no they who make things extra bazardous for the green Congressman. The females he has eason to fear are, so far as appearances are reason to fear are, so far as appearances are concerned, reputable. There are at this mo-ment 3,000 wemen in this town, of ostensible respectability, who get a living preying apon the weaknesses and fears of men; their business is blackmail in its most abominable gnise, and the viotims they most particularly seek are freah Congressmen. No sconer does the Representative or Senator arrive here for the Representative or Senat several of whom are likely to make it their special task to entrap him. However much he may be on his guard, he is never safe. They find out his circumstances, his way of living, and what sort of a man he is—it descript make the allochtast difference which

desan't make the slightest difference whether he is married or not-and on these points of information they weave their webs. The first thing necessary in the process of ensnaring the quarry is to make his acquaint-"I should think the attempt would pu im on his guard at once," suggested your "Why so! These wemen, you must remem.

"Why so? These wemen, you must remem-ber, have mostly an altegether respectable air; many of them are of most ladylike ex-terior, the majority are decidedly pretty and not a few are really beautiful. Has the Con-gressman any resson to suspect any-thing wrong when a handsome young widow, for instance, seemingly a lady in deep mourning, calls upon him with a re-quest that he will help her with his influence to put through a certain bill in which abe professes to be interested? Such a thing might occur a score of times in entirely good faith. But a representative from my own State hed a visitor of just that description one day. She came three times, walking up to

State had a visitor of just that description one day. She came three times, walking up to his rooms at his boarding house without sending her card shead, and was on each co-casion received with formal courtesy merely. At the end of a fortnight she sent a lawyer, announcing that a suit for breach of promise of marriage would be brought immediately unless \$1,000 was paid to her. In response to my friend's indignant protests the shyster aimply said that a gentleman who received

in these \$1,000 was paid to hav. In response to my friend's findignamic protests the shyster simply said that a gentleman who received visits from a lady alone in his private spart-ment was naturally subject to unfortunate misconstruction, and that a jury would be apt to regard it in the same light; the gentle-man might kick him down stairs, it was true, but that would merely complicate the case by the addition of an action for assault. In many a similar case-for breach of promise is a great dodge with these wo-men-Congressmen have permitted them-salves to be robbed in order to avoid scan-dal. True, the chances were that the sotion against them would never be carried through; but the very report of such a thing would damage them for more than the mon-ey's worth with their constituents, and they have preferred to pay. Where the victim is a bachelor, of course, the game must be varied; but it is even more readily played in another shape against a man who has a fam-ily, and is therefore more anxious about his reputation. clusion. It is also urged that, as the legislature has in one section of the statutes (section 1,684) provided for the punishment of an agent, it follows that in the phraseology of our statutes only agents of the first degree are intended to be embraced within the general term. An examination of this section dis-closes its evident purpose, and when its language is viewed in the light of this pur-pose, it will not be found to be inharmonious with the construction we place upon the word "agent." We find, therefore, that the defendant's employment was within the natural and or-

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