

Chief Justice Daly very properly dissolved the injunctions protecting Sunday theatricals. Without reference to all the religious arguments in favor of a better observance of Sunday, we believe that on civil grounds it is every way to be desired that this observance should become more strict rather than more lax.

Scorchers Monthly for January promises unusual attractions. J. G. Holland will bring a new serial story to be continued through the year entitled "Story of Seven Oaks." Advance sheets of this story, sent us by the publishers promise a story of remarkable vividness and power. Our readers cannot do better than to subscribe to this popular magazine. Now is the time to do it.

The Brooklyn scandal has been laid aside till after the holidays, possible longer. It is a matter of congratulation that the lawyers have succeeded in restricting somewhat the latitude claimed by the plaintiff, and that all the facts of the original statements will not, as if they were actual evidence, get into the courts. It will probably astonish people when the case is tried to find how small a part of what has been published was known, and what absurd proportions of it were "guessed at."

King Kalakaua's reception at Washington is described as rather wanting in display. Doubtless, however, it was more agreeable to the island potentate, wearied with the fatigues of travel, than a more elaborate street parade would have been. But though the street reception at Washington was somewhat inconspicuous, it is to be supplemented by an official one that will be of an impressive character, and the remarkable attentions to be showered on the King of the Sandwich Islands already advanced conjectures.

Two desperate burglars, who were alleged to have abducted Charley Ross, were shot early Monday morning while they were attempting to escape from Judge Van Brunt's country seat at Bay Ridge, L. I. They had been discovered by a brother and a nephew of the Judge through the agency of a burglar alarm. Shots were exchanged, one of the burglars was killed outright and the other was fatally wounded. During his last hours he made the startling statement that he and his companion were the abductors of Charley Ross. A detective subsequently identified him as a man who had long been suspected of complicity in the Philadelphia case. The dying burglar did not tell where the child was or what had been done with him.

The fruitless result of the Croker trial has been that the jury disagreed. In an election brawl, led on one side by the anti-Tammany and Administration candidate for Congress in the District, and on the other by one of his old Democratic associates, a person not involved in the brawl was killed while the two leaders were engaged in a hand to hand struggle. Thereupon one of these leaders accused the other of the fatal shot, and swore that he saw him fire the killing shot. The rest of the testimony was contradictory. It was evident from the beginning to all but the blindest partisans, that there was a case for a court and jury, and for nobody else. On neither side was there any occasion for the expression of sympathy. Of the two combatants the one accused of the murder and the other who was not involved in the brawl was killed while the two leaders were engaged in a hand to hand struggle. Thereupon one of these leaders accused the other of the fatal shot, and swore that he saw him fire the killing shot. The rest of the testimony was contradictory. It was evident from the beginning to all but the blindest partisans, that there was a case for a court and jury, and for nobody else.

Boston, December 15.—The fire alarms last night and up to nearly seven o'clock this morning were sufficiently frequent, and the light of the flames sufficiently bright to awaken fears of a general conflagration. The bitter cold weather and the smoke, were alike to the apprehensions of the people, and the difficulty and danger of dealing with the flames. The fire alarm was sounded at about 11 P. M., fire being discovered in the large five-story brick building 75 to 81 Plympton street, occupied by Curry & Galvin, and several firms engaged in wood manufacture. The building was entirely destroyed. The flames were driven by the winds across the street, setting fire to a large block occupied by several business firms, which was destroyed.

A second alarm was sounded from the same locality later this morning, the first, second and third calls following in quick succession, and before five o'clock the entire department was called out. The flames, fanned by a strong wind, soon made fearful havoc among the mass of wooden buildings lying between Plympton and Wareham streets, completely gutting everything that lay in their track. They crossed Wareham street after destroying the large planning mill of Morton & Chanley, and then fastened upon that of J. J. McCall, an extensive wood manufacturer. Emerson's piano manufacturing adjoining was in danger but escaped because it was built of brick. The flames were finally subdued.

The loss is estimated at \$300,000. Upwards of 500 men are thrown out of employment.

Christmas Presents. The time approaches for the observance of the custom of making dear friends an annual present. The times are hard, but we never knew them so bad, but where there is a will, there is a way to bestow some souvenir, however slight, of friendship and love. Undoubtedly most of our readers have made up their mind to give something, but the all important question to them is what to give. We shall endeavor to inform them where good articles are to be found, and their own judgment must make the choice.

If they contemplate a dress, shawl, a box of handkerchiefs, or anything in the dry goods line their Santa Claus has been at Dickerman & Sons, and C. F. & J. B. Dunne, and left just what they desire. The stock of elegant and useful goods selected for the holiday trade by these enterprising firms never comprised more suitable holiday gifts.

It would be more acceptable, you desire to have the dress made up in fine style, Mrs. L. E. Wells, Clark & Lane's Block will attend to that, if ordered handsomely & promptly. And at the Empire Sewing Machine Agency a dress or cloak can be made up in any style you wish, and will always be made in a really useful and beautiful sewing machine, which can be secured on the most reasonable terms.

Now, if you have decided to give your little family a Christmas present, you will find it more acceptable, you desire to have the dress made up in fine style, Mrs. L. E. Wells, Clark & Lane's Block will attend to that, if ordered handsomely & promptly. And at the Empire Sewing Machine Agency a dress or cloak can be made up in any style you wish, and will always be made in a really useful and beautiful sewing machine, which can be secured on the most reasonable terms.

Wilson, and there is quite a stir about his doing among those interested in his case. The groans for the decoration of Christ's Church will be tied in one of the stores belonging to Mr. E. H. Wash, on West Ave. The dwelling occupied by Mr. E. Sanford about thirty-five years since, is now vacant for the first time. Mr. Sanford and family having removed to her new home near the east end of the railroad bridge at Saugatuck. Both of our fire companies held their monthly meetings on Monday night, and Vigilant Engine Co. appointed a committee to lease what would be the cost of building an engine house, and procuring a site for the same, and report at a special meeting on Wednesday night.

CHARLEY ROSS.
Search for the Missing Boy on Cautken Island, Westport.
NO TRACE FOUND.

Supt. Walling, of the New York Detective Police Force, was in Westport Wednesday morning with four detectives, searching for Ross. E. S. Wheeler, Esq., having read of the shooting of the Bay Ridge burglars and the confession of one of them that he knew of the abduction of Charley Ross, led him to suspect, from the actions of an engine house, and procuring a site for the same, and report at a special meeting on Wednesday night.

The New Haven evening Journal has developed a letter to the effect, gambling in that city. Threatening letters have been sent to it, but it does not seem to care.

LOCAL NOTICES.
Toy and juvenile books for Christmas, at the Old Well News Depot.
Malaga Brocades at J. E. Smith's Fret Store, Railroad Place.
Boys winter caps, for 75 cts., at Foot's Hat Store.

Double Breasted Jackets for \$5.00, at Comstock Bros.
Just received, Two hundred barrels of St. Louis Flour, which will sell at lower prices than has been offered since the war. Raymond Bros.
Bleached and unbleached Cotton in all the popular brands, as low as can be sold by our country competitors, at A. Dickerman & Sons.

George Schaub has just received Beau Caviar. Come and try it.
Pure gold and winnowed hymns, at the Old Well News Depot.
A great raffle for games, will be held at Geo. Schaub's Saloon, Christmas eve.
Ice cream made to order by C. B. D'Artois.

C. B. D'Artois has fresh confectionery.
Live Geese Feathers at Buckingham's Furniture Store.
Every requisite for parties is promptly supplied by R. B. D'Artois.
If you smoke the Old Well Club of case, you will get the worth of your money.
Men's winter caps, for 75 cts., at Foot's Hat Store.

Perfumery, of all kinds, and an endless variety of Fancy Soaps at S. F. Peck's.
If you want to buy a barrel of choice Flour, go to the whole country, as they are selling the best grade at \$3.00.
Elegant line of Fur Beaver Overcoats, at Comstock Bros.

Underwear, at Foot's Hat Store.
Wine of Woods' is asked for by everybody. Cures headache, constipation, rheumatism. For sale at S. F. Peck's.
Bananas at John E. Smith's.
New assortment of Kid Gloves, the latest styles to match fall suits, at A. Dickerman & Sons.
Benevolent Societies at Brown & Wilcox's.

Try Brown & Wilcox's choice Teas.
Virginia Leaf Tobacco only sold, at Tucker's.
Dress shirts, warranted to fit, at Foot's Hat Store.
Brown & Wilcox are selling a good brand of cigars at the low price of 4 for 25 cents. Try them.

Double width Alpaca, in new Fall colors, at 25 cts per yard, at A. Dickerman & Sons.
Always on hand—Brazil Nut, English Walnuts, Pecan Nuts, Almonds, Fresh Roasted Peanuts, etc., at J. E. Smith's.
C. B. D'Artois has a prime article of mixed candies at 40 cts per pound.

Gents Underwear at Comstock Bros. a specialty.
Mineral water on draught, also all kinds of bottled water at S. F. Peck's.
Four large Laundry Blue for 25 cts., at F. A. Tolles & Co.

Thurston's Ivory Pearl Tooth Powder.
Is now admitted to be the best Dentifrice known. Used daily, it will keep the Teeth Sound, Clean and White, the Gums Healthy and the Breath Sweet. It contains no acid or other injurious substance, cannot injure the enamel, and is especially recommended to those who, having good teeth, wish to preserve them. Sold at Drugstores, 25 and 50 cents per bottle.

The undoubted utility of Milk of Magnesia, both as a preventive and a cure, of the summer complaint, is well known, should prompt the issue of health, of all large cities to order its distribution gratuitously among the poorer residents of densely populated districts.
DR. BOSCHER'S GERMAN SYRUP.
Cough no more! How much joy there is in every household, to know that they can at last procure a remedy for any case of cough, cold, croup, or whooping cough, Consumption, or any disease of the throat and Lungs, that is certain to cure. It is a satisfaction to know, that a person is safe from the dangers of these diseases, if you need do, is to go to your druggist, and get a bottle of Boscher's German Syrup. Two or three doses will relieve you of your cough, and what you want, get a small bottle for ten cents, and try it, or a regular size for 75 cents.

One of the most serious objections to the use of Magnesia, both carbonate and calcined, which is in common use, is that it adheres to the coat of the stomach and intestines, and occasions obstructions, which are annoying, and often productive of disease. Such an incident never occurs in the use of Milk of Magnesia.

Would you be free from the tormenting cough caused by any disease of the throat, the great kidney medicine, It never fails in kidney disease, dropsy or any disease of the urinary organs. One trial will convince you.
THE ROAD TO HEALTH.
Cleanse the stomach, bowels and blood from all the acid, corrupt and offensive accumulations which produce functional derangement, and you remove the cause of most of the ailments which afflict the human family, and thus save large doctor bills. The most effectual and reliable remedy for this purpose is found in Dr. J. C. Smith's Pleasant Purgative Pellets. No cheap wood or paper boxes, but kept fresh and reliable in vials.
High fever, those indulging in excess and pleasure, and those of sedentary habit, can prevent Bolls, Carbuncles, Gout, Red Skin, Eruptions, Pimples, Constipation, Piles, Rheumatism, and other ailments, and often induce by such habits, by taking from four to six of Dr. J. C. Smith's Pleasant Purgative Pellets once a week, or better still, once or twice each day. They are sold by druggists in medicine.

Milk of Magnesia is the best and safest remedy yet discovered for all diseases with which the children are afflicted. It corrects the acidity of the stomach, gives the child quiet, natural sleep, and invigorates the stomach and bowels. This valuable medicinal property is the result of the purest materials, and is the result of the purest materials, and is the result of the purest materials.

THE HOLIDAYS
are close at hand! So also are the **MISSES DA WSON, HOLIDAY GIFTS**
with gifts suitable for all; comprising Linen and Lace Handkerchiefs, Silk Handkerchiefs now so fashionable for the neck. The best assortment of Neckties in the city—brocaded, fringed, and plain; Sets of jewelry in English Garnet, Neck Chains, Belt Buckles, Sherwood's Patent Watch Stands, Thread Cases, New Perforated Board Mottoes, and Book Marks; a very desirable line of Pocket Books at extremely low prices; Diaries for 1875; A fine selection of Toilet Articles, such as Atkinson's Perfumes for the Handkerchief, at New York prices. Low, Son & Haydon's and Cashmere Bouquet Toilet Powders, etc., etc.

Among the great variety of articles suitable for the holidays, you will find Picture Books, Magic Lanterns, Chimes, Puzzles, Games, new kinds of Humming Tops that will hum you a tune, Japanese Noah's Arks—very fine; Magnetic Toys, Sad Irons, Kitchen Stoves and Furniture, Dustpans and Brushes for the little housekeepers, Knives, Forks and Spoons, Tables, Washtubs and Boards, Rolling Pins and Kneading Boards and many other Toys that will delight and amuse them.

You are always sure to find an excellent assortment of Dolls, Dolls' Hosiery and shoes at our store.
Hoping to receive a visit from one and all, (knowing that the prices of these goods suit the times) we wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

F. H. NASH & BROS.
Are now prepared to exhibit to their FRIENDS and PATRONS, a Large and Desirable Variety of FANCY GOODS, HOLIDAY PRESENTS, PORCELAIN, BOHEMIAN GLASS, CRYSTAL, PARIAN, LAVA, and other wares at unprecedented low prices. Defying Competition. They are also Agents for the celebrated **ARGAND PARLOR STOVE** with Glitzy glass. Needs only to be seen to be appreciated, and has always taken the premium over all competitors. Also **Cashing's Wrought Iron Heaters** with DOUBLE FIRE POTS, far ahead of all others. **STAPLE AND FANCY GOODS** in other lines in great variety and abundance. **CALL AND SEE US.**

SANTA LAURENCE HEADQUARTERS, AT **E. K. LOCKWOOD'S, OLD WELL MEAT MARKET,** Main Street, Near Washington. This old stand, which is justly celebrated for the superior quality of its meats, having come under the management of E. K. Lockwood, will continue to offer to the citizens of this city **First Class Meats of all Kinds AT FAIR PRICES.**

The undersigned having had experience in conducting this business in this place feels that he knows the wants of this community, and is confident of his ability to supply the whole country, as clear as the quality of the meats will allow, and he hopes by strict attention to the business to receive a liberal share of the public patronage.
D. C. H. BROWN, Agent, 314-11.
MISS ELLA C. SMITH having on hand a full and fine assortment of **MILLINERY GOODS, THE HOLIDAYS.** In order to get ready for Spring Trade.

NOTICE THE INDICUMENTS.
Full Size 50 cts. to \$1.00
Handsome 30 cts. to 50 cts.
Good grain ribbons in color (all silk) 30 cts.
Laces from 10 cts. to 50 cts.
Bonnets Trimmings 10 cts.
You are solicited to call and examine. Rooms at **CLARK & SMITH'S, 214-11.**
West St. Near Low, Flax Hill.

JOHN B. LOCKWOOD'S HALL, THURSDAY DEC. 11. Stain sold at Sillcock's and Peck's, on and after Wednesday, Dec. 10. Tickets 50 cts. Reserved Seats 75 cts. \$14-9.

NOTICE.
The inhabitants of the town of Norwalk, are hereby notified and warned, that a town meeting will be held at the town hall in Norwalk on Monday, the 1st day of December, 1874, at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of voting to wit—To hear the annual Report of the Selectmen, and to make other resolutions. To be held at the town hall, in Norwalk, on Monday, the 1st day of December, 1874, at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of voting to wit—To hear the annual Report of the Selectmen, and to make other resolutions. To be held at the town hall, in Norwalk, on Monday, the 1st day of December, 1874, at 10 o'clock, A. M., for the purpose of voting to wit—To hear the annual Report of the Selectmen, and to make other resolutions.

THE MISSES DA WSON, WASHINGTON STREET, South Norwalk.

C. R. & F. C. BENNETT,
Have a large stock of **Dry Goods & Notions**
AND MANY USEFUL NOVELTIES
FOR THE HOLIDAYS!
CHEAP FOR CASH!
From 1 Cent to 999 Cents!
Agents for all makes of Sewing Machine Needles.

Washington Street, South Norwalk, Conn.

NOTICE.
In the District Court of the United States for the District of Connecticut, in Bankruptcy, in the matter of Samuel S. Durand, Debtor, and State of Connecticut, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt under the Act of Congress, passed on the 22d day of October, 1874, in relation to the National Bankruptcy Act, and in the matter of the said Samuel S. Durand, Debtor, and State of Connecticut, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt under the Act of Congress, passed on the 22d day of October, 1874, in relation to the National Bankruptcy Act, and in the matter of the said Samuel S. Durand, Debtor, and State of Connecticut, who has been adjudged a Bankrupt under the Act of Congress, passed on the 22d day of October, 1874, in relation to the National Bankruptcy Act.

AUCTION SALE.
The stock of F. A. Allen, consisting of galls, water, log poles, coffee and tea, coffee and tea, porcelain kettles, tin kettles, lamps, chimneys, stoves, and many other articles usually found in a well furnished household, will be sold on Saturday, the 19th day of Dec. 1874, at 10 o'clock, A. M., at the residence of Louis W. Mitchell, Esq., 114-11 Broadway, N. Y. R. CARL, U. S. Marshal. By PHILIP F. BARNUM, U. S. Deputy Marshal at 114-11 Broadway, N. Y.

HO!
The subscriber having taken the market formerly occupied by James G. Crovo, on **MAIN STREET,** and thoroughly overhauled and refitted the same, to call the attention of the public to the fact that he is now prepared to fill orders for **FRESH OYSTERS, CLAMS, FRUITS, VEGETABLES ETC., AT THE LOWEST PRICES.** Give him a call, and we are sure you will come again. **CHARLES E. MILLER.**

DR. S. D. HOWE'S ARABIAN MILK-CURE
For Consumption and Diseases of the Throat, Chest and Lungs. The only Medicine of the kind in the world. A substitute for cod liver oil. Permanently cures Asthma, Bronchitis, Indigestion, Consumption, Night Sweats, Loss of Weight, Shortness of Breath, Cough, Croup, Whooping Cough, etc. in a few days, it is magic. Price \$1 per bottle. Also **DR. HOWE'S ARABIAN TONIC BLOOD PURIFIER** which differs from all other preparations in its immediate action upon the **LIVER, KIDNEYS AND BLOOD.** It is purely Vegetable, and cleanses the system of all impurities, keeps the right organs, and makes Pure, Rich Blood. It cures Scarcities, Rheumatism, Dropsy, and all other diseases, and regulates the Bowels. For Nervous Debility, and all other Diseases, and Broken Down Constitutions. "I Challenge the 19th Century" to find its equal. Every Bottle is worth its weight in Gold. PRICE 60 CENTS PER BOTTLE. ALSO, **DR. S. D. HOWE'S ARABIAN Liver Pills.** They cleanse the Liver and Stomach thoroughly, remove Constipation, contain no alcohol, nor any other injurious ingredients, and are adapted to all cases of Indigestion, and all other ailments of the Liver and Stomach. Sold by **DR. S. D. HOWE, PROPRIETOR, No. 161 Chambers Street, New York.** Mr. Lane's Certain Cure for Improving Nails.

EVERY BOND purchased before January 4th, 1875, will participate in the **THIRD SERIES DRAWING,** held Monday, Jan. 4, 1875, **Capital Premium \$100,000.** These Drawings take place every THREE MONTHS, and eventually every month will participate in them. Address, for Bonds and full information, **MORGENTHAU, BRUNO & CO., FINANCIAL AGENTS, 23 Park Row, New York.** Post Office Drawer, 20. Remit by Draft on N. Y. City Bank, Registered Letters or P. O. Money Order.

Carts, Wagons, Rocking Horses. **E. K. LOCKWOOD'S CUTTING.** Mr. Sillcock desires us to announce that he is now prepared to do all kinds of "cutting jobs" promptly, and in the most fashionable styles. His new cutter is thoroughly conversant with all that pertains to the business, and customers may feel assured of prompt and satisfactory work. Give him a call at his clothing emporium, junction of Washington and Main streets.

TO HATERS!!
RED MILLS, MIDDLE FIVE HILL RIVER. **NOTICE!**
The proprietors of the **RED MILLS,** MIDDLE FIVE HILL RIVER, would inform the public that they have just received a large stock of **Woolen Goods, Hats, Caps, and other articles** which they will sell at **very low prices.** Give them a call, and you will be satisfied. **CHAS. A. BROWN, Proprietor, Middle Five Hill River, Conn.**

WANTED IMMEDIATELY—A Superintendent of the Mill at the Falls of the Connecticut River, near the mouth of the river, near the town of Danbury, Conn. The successful candidate will receive a salary of \$1000 per annum, and will be required to reside on the premises. For full particulars, apply to **W. H. BROWN, Danbury, Conn.**

South Norwalk Sentinel
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1874.
To Advertisers.—The SENTINEL is the best advertising medium to be obtained in this section. For secure insertion the same week, advertisement must be handed in by Wednesday morning. Terms of advertising may be found on our first page, which will in every case be strictly adhered to.
To Correspondents.—We earnestly request that one or more of our many friends, in each town in this vicinity will do us and our patrons the favor to forward for publication whatever news, intelligence or anything else in the line of printing, leave your orders at the Sentinel office, where they will be forwarded to the nearest office and on reasonable terms.
List of Letters
REMAINING in the Postoffice, at South Norwalk, Dec. 15, 1874. Persons calling for any of these letters will please say they are so directed.
LADIES' LIST
Mrs. S. A. Seymour, Mrs. Malinda E. Smith, Mrs. Mary M. Clark.
GENTLEMEN'S LIST
Geo. W. Butler, Mr. Daniel Craft, Wm. W. Deane, J. P. Farrell, Mr. John Gifford, Mr. J. H. Hubbard, Mr. E. R. L. Kent, Mr. Edward Martin, J. S. DENNING, P. at Master.

Home News and Notions.
Whose is Smith's child?
A young to be suspended your horse.
The juveniles now gather in front of the City windows and choose.
Fashionable social gatherings are not prolonged after midnight.
The indications are that our churches will be handsomely decorated for Christmas.
All prudent turkeys have made their wills, and chickens and geese wear sadly anxious faces.
The second House of Session will be at the residence of F. Adams, Esq., Thursday evening, Dec. 17th.
E. K. Lockwood's wonder store, at Norwalk, is crammed with holiday goods. There is no need to the variety on exhibition, and so on.
Rev. R. B. Snowden preached at the Congregational Church, this city last Sunday morning. The sermon is spoken of as having been a very excellent one.
The annual town meeting will be held at the town house, Monday next, 21st inst., at 10 o'clock, when besides the annual report of the Selectmen, other important matters will be brought up for consideration.
Mr. John E. Everett has taken the store formerly occupied by A. Dibble, Jr., East Norwalk, which he keeps a choice of groceries and provisions, and should receive a liberal patronage from those of our townsmen living in East Norwalk.
Rev. D. A. Goodsell was welcomed with a large audience last Sunday morning and evening, and preached excellent sermons on both occasions. Mr. Goodsell has a strong hold upon this people, having made hosts of friends outside of his own church.
The charge-ability of our climate was fully demonstrated this week. Monday morning we had a few hours rain which cleared away, leaving the air as balmy as after a summer's shower. Monday night it was cold enough to freeze the brass knocker off a front door.
The Temperance Societies to be given by the Barnstable Guards New Year's eve, promises to be the affair of the season. The hall is to be handsomely decorated with appropriate devices, and the committee of arrangements are hard at work and no pains is to be spared to make the sociable enjoyment in every way. Suppers will be provided at the Old Well Hotel and at Tucker's Saloon.
We perceive that Mr. E. A. Horton retires from the conduct of the Norwalk Sentinel, and that our most esteemed and genial former proprietor, Mr. James Golden, assumes the entire control of the Sentinel. Mr. Golden is a man of ability, talents a neat penman, his general and pleasing, and we wish him all the success his many merits entitle him to. The Sentinel is a handsome, inviting sheet.—Derby Transcript.

There is no use disputing a fact which can be so easily proved as that Swartz's cigars are equalled by few and excelled by none, either in quality or price. As their delightful aroma meets the olfactory nerve, the happy possessor of a five cent cigar can console himself and indulge others with the thought he is enjoying the perfume of a costly Havana but when he gets hold of an "Old Well" or "R. H." contentment is fully satisfied. Try one.
Last Friday evening, Old Well Hook and Ladder Company were visited by twenty-six members of Atlantic Hose Company of Stamford, who came over in carriages. The visiting firemen were entertained with a grand oyster supper, after which they all participated in a dance. Just before the supper the Stamford boys presented Old Well Hook and Ladder Company with handsomely framed photographs of their members and First Assistant. The Old Well boys propose to return the visit the first of the season. We are glad to see the friendly feeling existing between these two organizations, as they are both composed of fine fellows.

Very soon the holidays, with all their bright, joyous pleasures, will be upon us. Even now many generous hearts are casting about to learn what gifts they can make to their friends that will best please and gratify them. What better gift than to send a friend the Sentinel for a year? Each time its welcome columns are read the friendly thoughtfulness which gave them this pleasure would receive a new quota of thanks. To our mind no more acceptable gift could be dreamed of than this, for it would be a continuation of pleasure, lasting a whole year. A simple \$2 will accomplish all this and even more.
Last week a Norwalk man called at Millory & Downs and got a wreath, a cross and crown of cut flowers for a funeral. The horse which he drove balked at started, but was finally got off, and went well to be arrived opposite the Union School house, where the driver halted him to converse with Capt. W. H. Ferris. For some cause or other the horse began kicking, upset the wagon and ran away. The driver picked himself up, and looked at the wreck and fleeing steed broke out with, "There goes fifty dollars to hell." The horse was going towards Norwalk.

Our toy dealers, confectioners, druggists and dry goods men have this year brought the largest, most carefully selected, and at the same time the cheapest lot of goods for the holiday trade ever seen in South Norwalk, and they should be encouraged—there is no excuse whatever for going out of town to make purchases. The church, or other society, or individual, who will roam all over God's creation to save a penny on a dollar displays a pleasure economy that is most contemptible; still there are no better and no cheaper than those at home merely that they may have a metropolitan stamp on their purchases. Support your home merchants and they will support you.

Remember the Poor.—
A large number of men, women and children are now being cared for at the almshouse, besides many more at their homes. The charitable disposal can add very much to the comfort of this unfortunate class, by leaving with Mr. Hyatt, one of the selectmen, at the Horse Railway depot who will see to its proper distribution, clothing of any description. Clothing for small children will be particularly acceptable at this time; also books and papers to be used at the almshouse.
DeSating Club.—
A very interesting discussion was participated in by this club last Monday evening upon the question: Resolved, That the steam engine has benefited the human race more than the printing press. D. L. Millard and Thomas H. Raymond spoke in the affirmative, and W. W. LeCom, W. T. Cress, H. W. Lester and Louis J. Blake in the negative. The debate lasted about two

Wine of the Woods cures constipation.
For toys, etc., Bidwell's is the place to go. He's got just what the children want.
S. F. Peck has the best rubber mittens in town, only \$2.25 per pair.
Mr. and Mrs. Smith Scoble celebrated their golden wedding last Tuesday evening.
The scholars of the Over River School will give an entertainment Friday evening next.
Messrs. F. H. Nash & Bros. have an unusually fine assortment of holiday goods. Go and see them.
Bidwell has some beautiful children's toys, comprising doll sets of furniture, &c., besides the usual variety of smaller articles.
That Norwalk girl has had one of her feet photographed, and many mistake it for a full view of the look factory.
J. E. Smith has just what you want to put in the little people's stockings in the way of confectionery, fruits, nuts, &c.
The election for Directors of the First National Bank of this city, will be held at the banking house, Jan. 12th.
Peck, by securing choice breed of fowls and placing them in his store, is infringing upon the copyright of the Old Hen Club.
Do not forget that John H. Gough is coming Dec. 31st with a new lecture. Sale of seats will commence at Sellick's and Peck's on Wednesday Dec. 23rd.
The Opera House last Monday evening, enclosed a temperature just below the freezing point. If we had had the heating of the hall, we think we'd ought to have had it warmer.
Letters from D. R. Austin and son were received in this city this week, sent from the Island of Cuba, stating that all were well and having a pleasant voyage.
A special school meeting to consider the vote of disapproval of the action of the late committee, passed December 1, 1874, is called for Tuesday evening, December 22.

The Episcopal Church Sociable at Capt. Couche's, Tuesday eve, was a very enjoyable affair, and well attended. Problems, dancing, &c., for amusement, whiled away the hours charmingly.
The se-c-o-u-rs of the P.H.-ains with Buffalo Bill, as chief, scout, were at the Opera House last night, eating scenes, and portraying an exaggerated frontier life.
Miss Annie Oliver daughter of A. H. Snowden in this city this week, sent from the Island of Cuba, stating that all were well and having a pleasant voyage.
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The economy with which manufacturing can be carried on is evidenced in the fact that the tide has already set this way. An old established baby carriage manufacturing has moved here from a large manufacturing establishment in New York. With cheap transportation and other conveniences they can compete with the world. We have located among our streets a number of grist mills and cider mills. Boat building has been carried on here for years. Many vessels of large draft have been built, but the one great business of our place at present is oysters. On account of the placid water on the Connecticut shore, we have seed formations on its whole length, which are affected by throwing in bottom plentifully with oyster shells. If the weather is not too hot at the time of sowing, the shells are filled with millions of seed. Sometimes two or three years pass without any sets as they are called, which has been the case for the past three years. At the time of sowing we had glorious weather, and in consequence the sets are numerous and the most sanguine could desire. It will take about three years for them to mature. On account of the soft bottom of our grounds and the still water the oysters grow slowly here and take on what we call the shanghai growth which are not so valuable. Our enterprising oystermen as soon as the seed become of a size to be removed, take them up and remove them to Long Island shore or some other place where there is a hard bottom and swift tide, where they grow three times as fast and take on a round shape, which makes them double the value of the shanghai. On account of the swift tide on Long Island shore there are no seed formations naturally, but seed from our grounds sown there produces from thirty to fifty fold. As an evidence of the productiveness of Long Island shore I will relate an instance: Theodore Lovell, residing on our shore, was by law suits in holding his ground, concluded he would sell out to his brother and do some other business. His brother gave him seven thousand dollars in securities, bearing seven per cent interest, which he accepted, and then took up from this ground eight thousand dollars worth of oysters. These were on looking around concluded to come back to the oyster business. His brother offered him his old ground back if he would return him his five thousand dollars which he did, and went to work immediately and took up ten thousand dollars worth of the same ground.
There is no system in this place that owns oyster grounds but that is in any circumstance. As present they feel some of the stringency of the times on account of not having had a set for the last three years. They make a money by getting higher prices, and their future prospects are good. However, we only number about 135 acres, there are two city men, one Baptist and one Methodist, supported with a liberal salary, and our stores keepers would not have cause to complain, if some of our most prosperous oystermen would work for the benefit of the place where they make their money, and not water down the interest of our store keepers. We speak of this in kindness believing they mean no harm.

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Flirting.—It is not very difficult to find someone who will flirt with a man. Sensible men admire something in a woman besides a pretty face and engaging manners. They love intellect, common sense, and hear qualifications, which the flirt does not possess. The true woman allows her affections full play, and is not ashamed of them. She will not lead a man to believe she cares for him when she does not such thing; she will not flirt just for the sake of flirting. She has a true conception of what is right, and possesses a great deal more common sense. She has derived her education from something more than three volumes novels and the society of the empty parlour. She may attract less attention in the drawing room than a flirt does, because she is less noisy and obtrusive; but, for all that, she will be married sooner, and make her husband truer and better wife. A true woman does not care for the spongy young man. She dislikes his foppishness, the rapid compliments he pays her, and his officiousness. He quickly finds this out and leaves her in peace, and usually marries a flirt.

Wouldn't Steal Flies.—Many years ago, William Bishop, of New Haven, was induced by the prospect of "great and sudden changes," to take the agency of a huge fly-trap, introduced for most markets—warranted to run twenty-four hours, and to "live" all the time in the neighborhood. Accordingly he obtained the consent of a butcher that the machine should be placed in proper condition in his market, and who was to conclude the next morning whether he would invest. Bishop calculated there was about "three pecks of flies in the trap," when he appeared, and was considerably taken aback by the case remark of the butcher that as he was out of flies he didn't believe he had any use for the machine. Bishop's disgust at the man's impudence, led him to recover his money with a reply: "Well, I'm disappointed, but charged if I'm meant I won't steal your flies," and sending the man to the trap, on the display of the machine, he set out his traps, to get it on his terms. William did not longer to learn the precise nature of the man's remarks, as he was in a hurry to reach the cars.

Ancient Inks.—The ink used by ancient writers was a kind of iron black, or the black, made of iron filings, and mixed with gum arabic and water. Some have supposed that the black liquor which the early scribes used to write with, was a mixture of iron filings, which was never the case. The compound used by the ancients was a mixture of iron filings, and a small quantity of gum arabic, and water. The ink of the ancients was much more opaque, as well as more durable, than that which is used in modern times. Inks of different colors were made in Rome; red, purple blue, and gold and silver inks, were the principal varieties. The red was made from vermilion, cinabar, and carmine, the purple from the murex; one kind of which called the purple essence, was appropriated to the exclusive use of the emperor. Golden ink, was not so popular among the Greeks than among the Romans. During the middle or dark ages, the manufacture both of it and of silver ink was an extensive and lucrative branch of trade, and the illuminated manuscripts which remain are a striking proof of the high degree of perfection to which the art was carried. The making of the inks themselves was a distinct business; and her connected with it, and to which it owed its origin, was that of inscribing the titles, epistles, as well as eulogistic words, in colored and gold and silver inks.

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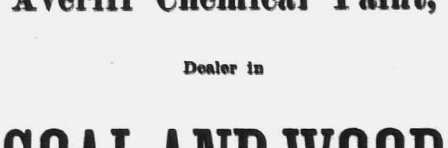
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