

BUILDING ACTIVITY IN EASTERN CONNECTICUT

BUILDING AND BUSINESS.

Sudden Drop During Week in Building Trades—Contracts Awarded About the State.

Real estate sales by warranty deed filed during the past week in the cities reported in The Commercial Record numbered 331 with mortgage loans of \$1,243,978, the large increase in mortgage loans being found in New Haven. The figures for the corresponding week last year show 246 sales and mortgage loans of \$619,932.

Petitions in bankruptcy during the week numbered five, with total assets of \$22,096 and liabilities of \$32,198, a record which compares with seven petitions, with assets of \$49,966 and liabilities of \$61,980 filed in the second week of December a year ago. A very large increase is shown in the number of joint companies formed in Connecticut during the past week as compared with the like week a year ago.

Contracts awarded last week include factory work in Bridgeport, Stamford, Hartford and New Haven, brick garage and storehouse in New Britain, residence work costing about \$10,000 in New Haven, Bridgeport and Hartford, public garage in Hartford, and many frame houses of the one, two and three family type all over the state.

A new schoolhouse is to be built in New Haven, store and tenement blocks are reported in New Haven and Hartford, factory additions are reported in Waterbury, New Haven, Bridgeport and Chester, and several fine residences in Bridgeport and vicinity, and apartment buildings are soon to be contracted for in New Haven, Bridgeport and Hartford.

During the past week there were no sales of real estate in this city, while a year ago there were ten. The mortgage loans for the respective weeks were \$200 and \$25,100.

MIDDLETOWN.

The foundation has been completed for a two-family frame house which Jacob Perforth is to erect on Pine street. The contract for the carpenter work has been let and it will be pushed to an early completion.

The store and apartment block which is being built for Joseph Valeri has been raised one story.

The garage, 40x60, which is being built by the Tuttle brick company is now enclosed.

BUILDING OPERATIONS IN NEW ENGLAND.

Statistics of Building & Engineering operations in New England as compiled by The F. W. Dodge Company follow:

Contracts to Dec. 8, 1915	\$167,796,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1914	156,659,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1913	162,292,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1912	165,221,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1911	156,598,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1910	151,980,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1909	159,915,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1908	162,521,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1907	126,212,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1906	118,717,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1905	164,222,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1904	92,180,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1903	93,304,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1902	114,590,000
Contracts to Dec. 8, 1901	117,932,000

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BUILDING PROGRESS ABOUT THE CITY

Contract Let for New Barn on North Main Street—Cellars for Hopkins and Allen Houses Nearly Ready for Frame Construction—Shetucket Company's New Weaving Mill Now Up to Second Story—Taftville Contracts Approaching Completion.

C. M. Williams has been awarded the contract for the erection of a brick barn on North Main street for the Texas Company and the construction work was started on Monday. The barn is to be one and one-half stories high and the building will be 18x30 feet in size. There will be four single stalls, one box-stall, and the loft will be used for hay. The flooring on the ground floor will be of cement.

Norman Kimball of Main street is contemplating the erection of a handsome residence near Dawley's on Laurel Hill. The house will be two stories high and probably of stone construction. It is planned to have seven rooms and all modern conveniences are to be installed. Mr. Kimball has not yet let the contract.

Noticeable Progress on New Mill. Contractor Archibald Torrance is making noticeable progress on the erection of the new weaving mill for the Shetucket company in Greenville. The walls for the first story are now up and beams are being laid for the second story. The mill will be completed in about four weeks' time, it is expected.

Finishing Up Taftville Contracts. Penton Brothers & company are now finishing up the new Pion block and have completed the roofing of the Marsan block on Hunter's avenue, Taftville. All the windows have not been placed for the Marsan block, but will probably be in at the end of this week. Penton Brothers & company have a large number of men employed on the tower of the Sacred Heart

church, and this work will be well along within the next week or two.

Housing Company Buildings. Contractor Williams is pushing the cellar and foundation work for the twenty houses which he is to erect for the Norwich Housing Company. The houses to be used for the accommodation of the employees of the Hopkins and Allen companies. Foundations of the cellars on the Spring Garden avenue lots are now all in and the six remaining cellars on Spring Garden Avenue are nearly stoned up. At Rockwell street three of the cellars are dug and one is nearly stoned up. Two cellars on the Broad street side are nearly stoned up.

Changing Into Sungalow. The house at No. 26 Huntington avenue which S. H. Bushnell recently purchased is being moved over into the Sungalow bungalow. There are to be hard wood floors, steam heat and other improvements. The work was started about a week ago.

Propeller Company's Office. The frame for the office addition which the Norwich-New York Propeller Company is having erected at Prentice wharf is now up and nearly covered in. Part of the first floor has been laid and the floor beams for the second story are now being placed. The addition is about 50x20 feet in size, two stories high and of wooden frame construction.

Spaded this fall, these pupae will be exposed to the birds and weather. If people with small gardens will practice this for a period of years, they will find that the pupae of weevils will be very materially decreased.

TO REMOVE BARK FROM OLD APPLE TREES. It is not a good plan to scrape off the bark from old apple trees with a metal instrument. Most people are too careless in their work and the live bark is injured. It is not necessary to get down to the live wood, though it is necessary to remove the scales and flakes of old, dead bark. The best and safest method to remove old bark is to select a damp day when the bark is very wet. Then cut the trunk and limbs of the tree a burlap sack or a strip of burlap, two or three thicknesses, and saw it back and forth. This will rub off the bark that needs to be removed and it does not injure the live wood in the least.

A WINDBREAK FOR BEES. It is well established that a windbreak of evergreens is superior to a solid windbreak such as a house or solid fence, says Bulletin 695, U. S. Dept. of Agriculture. The bee-keeper should be sure that his apiary is located in a place where the wind rarely blows more than five miles an hour in winter. If the apiary is not located in such a place, he should build a windbreak. The best material for a windbreak is a row of evergreens. The windbreak should be placed in a place where the wind usually blows from. The windbreak should be placed in a place where the wind usually blows from. The windbreak should be placed in a place where the wind usually blows from.

CORN SILAGE AND SUGAR BEETS Results Shown in Test Made of Both as Fodder. Bulletin 122 of the Nebraska Station gives the results of a comparison of corn silage and sugar beets with two lots of five cows each, fed for a period of five weeks. Both lots were fed on six to ten pounds per head daily of a concentrate ration consisting of equal parts of oats, corn and bran. Lot 1 received daily 30 pounds of corn silage and 10 pounds of alfalfa hay. Lot 2 received 30 pounds of sugar beets and 10 pounds of alfalfa hay. Lot 1 produced an average daily yield of 17.2 pounds, as against 15.1 pounds for lot 2.

Battle with Garden Pests. Many of the garden pests which are likely to bother another year can be quite successfully combated at this time of year. This can be done by burning all refuse on the top of the ground which is likely to have eggs, nests, or pupae in it. This refuse should be burned in a place where the wind will carry the smoke and the heat of the fire will destroy the eggs, etc. It will deprive many insects of their natural needful protection. Pupae of many insects are buried just below the surface of the ground. If the garden is plowed or

NEW LONDON.

Work has been started on a new house in Montauk avenue, Col. H. S. Dorsey. It will be of frame and stucco construction, with six rooms, and have all modern conveniences. Changes are to be made in the building at 103 Bank street, for Arthur Keefe. There will be two stores on the ground floor. On the land at the corner of the building, a brick building will be erected, to contain a store and two tenements.

To Build New Home. The James T. Pettigrew house corner of Ocean and Linden avenues has been purchased by W. L. Spley. It was built only a short time ago by Capt. Pettigrew, who has purchased a building lot in Hlydenburg avenue, where he intends to erect a residence.

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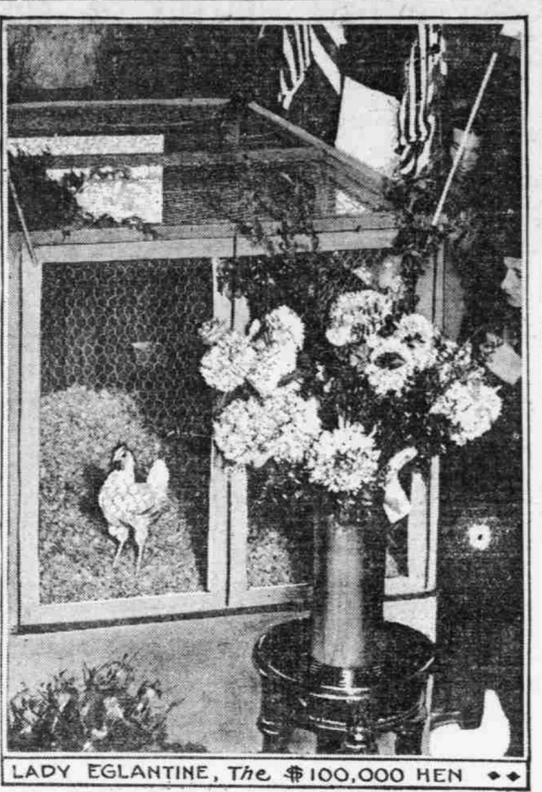
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LADY EGLANTINE, The \$100,000 HEN

Here's Lady Eglantine, champion hen of the United States, on exhibition in New York. Note the flags and the floral tributes laid before Lady Eglantine. She is a White Leghorn pullet which holds the world's egg laying record and whose owner, A. A. Christian of Philadelphia, values her at \$100,000. Lady Eglantine is two years old. She was raised on scientific principles. Although the average product of the ordinary hen is seventy eggs a year, Lady Eglantine, in the national contest which closed on Nov. 1, broke all records by laying 314 eggs in 365 days. She was brought up at the Delaware college experiment station at Newark, Del. It is asserted that the manner of her raising has proved conclusively that the product of a hen in eggs may be developed to its highest degree by training.

principal breeds are as follows:
Plymouth Rocks.
4 Jules F. Francois (Barred) W. Hampton Beach, N. H. 237
6 Fairfields Farms, (Barred) Short Falls, N. H. 162
15 Holliston Hill Poultry Farm, (White) Holliston, Mass. 121
Wyandottes.
27 Tom Barron, (White) Catforth, England 152
33 Dr. N. W. Sanborn, (Buff) Holden, Mass. 151
20 Obed G. Knight, (White) Bridgeton, R. I. 141
Rhode Island Reds.
35 Colonial Farm, Temple, N. H. 121

71 Hillview Poultry Farm, St. Albans, Vt. 112
45 A. W. Rumery, Danville, N. H. 110
White Leghorns.
59 Will Barron, Bartle, near Preston, England 214
56 A. E. Hall, Wallingford, Conn. 190
68 Tom Barron, Catforth, near Preston, England 161
Miscellaneous.
98 Oregon Agricultural College (Oregon), Corvallis, Ore. 128
95 Claude Clinton, (Mottled Ancon), Red Hook, N. Y. 125
92 J. Collins, Black Leghorn, near Barnacre, Garstang, England 102

TIDE OF IMMIGRATION IS AT LOW EBB

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Washington, Dec. 16.—The tide of emigration to the United States ebbed to its lowest point in more than twenty years during the past fiscal year, according to figures made public today in the annual report of Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Labor.

The total number of immigrant aliens, the report shows, fell from 1,218,480 in the previous year to 326,700 in the period ending June 30 last. All admitted arrivals of alien immigrants and non-immigrant, were only 434,244 as compared with 1,403,801 the year before.

Departures Show a Decrease. Departures of aliens, emigrant and non-emigrant, likewise show a notable decrease. For the fiscal year ending June 30 last, 25,077 aliens departed, as against 62,805 for 1915, 384,174. The fiscal year of 1915 covers the period of sailing home of reservists from the beginning of the European war till June 30, last. During that time the emigrant aliens, presumably including the number sailing to Europe, were 25,077, whereas the previous twelve months, The non-emigrant aliens, departing totaled 150,160 for 1915 and 350,467 for 1914, showing a net decrease for all alien departures of 249,631.

Ages of Immigrants. Of the 326,700 immigrant aliens admitted to the United States in the 1915 fiscal year, 52,982 were under 14 years of age; 244,472 were from 14 to 44 years old and 29,246 were 45 or over. Those over fourteen who could neither read nor write numbered 25,057, those able to read but not write were 292, making the total number of illiterates over fourteen, 35,449, or thirteen per cent.

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BRIGHTER CHILDREN

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administration's new merchant marine bill means the end of unfettering American foreign commerce. Creation of a shipping board with broad powers of reorganization and rate making over deep water and construction of vessels by the government to be sold or leased to corporations whose stock would be open to public subscriptions are contemplated in the administration plan. Mr. Redfield said he would have naval constructors direct the building of such ships as the government provides to make them adaptable for use as naval auxiliaries in time of war.

Old Saybrook.—The Old Saybrook fishermen are suing the borough of Fenwick for the alleged unjust removal of a fish house and the destruction of their fish poles and other articles, having won an important victory in the superior court. Judge Burpee having just rendered his decision on the demurrer which was argued before him a couple of weeks ago.

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