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Pearl Importations Double 1916 Record

Importation of pearls in the United States in 1916 was double in value that of any preceding year.

The value of precious stones imported in the calendar year 1916 for the first time crossed the 50 million dollar line, amounting in round terms to \$52,000,000.

The explanation offered by importers and dealers of the more rapid percentage of growth in the importation of the pearl is that pearls are "more in favor" than formerly.

The value of precious stones imported into the United States since 1900 is over \$500,000,000, of which diamonds were about \$425,000,000.

The people of the United States now own fully two-fifths of the world's diamonds of the world, their value exceeding those of any other country.

The "Boston News Bureau" prints a partial list of "New Haven" stockholders. It gives all holders of 10,000 shares and then the changes of the past year in holders of 2,000 shares.

The teaching profession is to be made attractive for partially disabled officers and men. Already the Board of Education has let down the bars to examinations so as to consider proposals for admission to training colleges of men discharged from the army.

STOCK MARKET

New York, Feb. 8.—Opening—Moderate unsettlement was shown by the market at today's opening, over night developments, particularly Germany's submarine activities, inducing fresh selling.

New York Stock Exchange Quotations

Table listing various stocks and their prices, including Quincy, Saint Mary's, Shannon, Superior, Tamarack, U. S. Smelting, Utah Consol, and Ventura.

BOSTON STOCKS

Table listing Boston stocks and their prices, including Am. Zinc, Cal. & Arizona, Copper Range, Davis Daly, East-Butte, Granby, Hancock, Indiana, Lake, La Salle, Mass., Mohawk, North Butte, Old Dominion, and Pond Creek.

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TWO 'FIELD DAYS' SET FOR HEARING UPON EXCISE BILLS

Committee in Executive Sessions Assigns Wednesday and Thursday. (Special to The Farmer.) Hartford, Feb. 8.—Wednesday and Thursday of next week will be "field days" for the excise bills.

FAIRFIELD COUNTY NEWS

Resignation of Pastor. Rev. Herbert S. Brown, Ph. D., surprised his congregation Sunday morning by reading his resignation, to take effect Nov. 1. Dr. Brown has been pastor of the church for about 18 years.

Frederick G. Signor, an automobile salesman who recently figured in a serious auto accident in Westport when the car he was driving crashed into a telephone pole, and Edward Callahan of Danbury, a saloonkeeper, was killed, is named as co-respondent in an action for divorce brought in New York by Theodore Dougherty against his wife, Mrs. Frances Bennett Dougherty.

The funeral of Loretta, wife of Alde Renaud, was largely attended at 8:30 this morning from her late home, 261 Gilbert street and from Sacred Heart church, where Rev. Thomas P. Mooney sang the mass of requiem. The bearers were Eugene and Omer Vigan, Edward Helmar, John Simpson, Hubert Beck and Antonio Caberico. Burial was in the family plot in St. Michael's cemetery.

The grand list for Greenwich has been completed by the board of assessors. The list shows an increase over that of last year amounting to about \$2,571,153, and totals \$43,492,607. E. C. Converse is the heaviest taxpayer, his holdings there being assessed at \$996,000. Mrs. Elizabeth Milbank is second, with \$606,358. Commodore C. C. Benedict is third, with \$437,420.

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ADOLPHUS STRIN. The funeral of Adolphus Strin, was held privately this afternoon from his home, 905 Howard avenue. The Knights of Pythias, of which Mr. Strin was a member, conducted the services. Burial was in Park cemetery.

FRANCES A. CURTIS. Miss Frances A. Curtis, died at her home, 2333 North avenue, last night, following a long illness. Miss Curtis was born in Stratford, the daughter of Isaac and Lucinda Beers Curtis. She had lived in Stratford and Bridgeport all her life. No near relatives survive her.

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ANNIE ANDERSON. The funeral of Annie Anderson was held from her late home, in King's Highway, Southport, at 8:20 this morning and a half hour later from St. Thomas church, Fairfield, where Rev. William Blake sang the high mass of requiem. At the offertory, Mrs. John McNally sang "Veni Jesu" and after the mass, "Nearer My God to Thee." The bearers: James Brown, Serena Furness, James Vidale, Daniel Marti, James Shaunpessy and Garry Russell. Burial was in St. Thomas cemetery.

CATHERINE NORRIS. Catherine, widow of John Norris and formerly for many years a resident of Rolly street, East Bridgeport, died this morning at a local hospital following an illness of two years. Mrs. Norris was born in Ireland but came to this city when a young woman and lived here for more than 50 years. Her only daughter, Catherine Norris, died three years ago and she has no other children. The funeral will be held from the undertaking rooms of Cullinan & Mullins.

MARY E. NAVIN TYER. Mary E. Navin, widow of John F. Tyer, died this morning at her home, 509 Park avenue, after a brief illness with pneumonia. Mrs. Tyer was born in Lee, Mass., 52 years ago. She came to this city 28 years ago and had since always lived in the South End, where she was widely known and respected. She was a devout member of Sacred Heart church. Surviving her are three daughters, Mrs. Bernard Melody, Mrs. Lucy A. Ryan and Miss Mary E. Tyer; four sons, Peter E., John F., William P. and James H. Tyer, all of this city; three sisters, Mrs. James Roche, and the Misses Agnes and Rose Navin, and four brothers, Patrick, John E., Cornelius and Edward Navin, all of Lee. The body will be taken to Lee on Saturday for burial in St. Mary's cemetery there.

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