

mining center. According to the latest reports, a thousand persons were rendered homeless, several mines were flooded and it is believed the death list will be added to considerably when the shafts are cleared.

San Francisco, Jan. 19th.—A naval sea plane A C 5 which was forced down and wrecked during the flight of a group of naval seaplanes from San Diego to Balboa, Canal Zone, "has been sunk by gunfire," according to report received by the naval radio here today. No explanation of the message was received.

Halifax, N. S. Jan. 20th.—Destruction of property valued at \$150,000, the wiping out of the entire stock of Morton and Thomson, one of the largest hardware houses of Halifax, and the complete gutting of their brick premises with the total property loss of all the tenants and more or less damage by water and smoke to seven other business concerns in adjacent buildings, were the result of a fire which broke out in the second story of the Morton and Thomson building corner of Sackville and Granville Streets, at ten to five yesterday afternoon, due to a defect in the electric wiring.

Barbados, Jany. 19th.—The Venereal Disease Commission arrived here yesterday and held its opening conference at 2 p. m. His Excellency the Governor presided.

Trinidad, January. 19th.—The United States battleship Florida having on board Mr. Bainbridge Colby, U. S. Secretary of State, and his staff, arrived here from Bahia at daylight today, and leaves for Hampton Roads tomorrow morning.

London, Jan. 19th.—A report was issued today by the Irish party and Trades Union Congress through the British Labour Party, in which the Crown forces are charged with the burning of public buildings and shops in Cork on December 11th and 12th. The report is declared to be the result of a dangerous and toilsome investigation, in which nearly 100 depositions have been taken, chiefly from responsible commercial or professional men, and from house-holders. The depositions will be produced for any competent and responsible commission of inquiry.

London, January 20th.—In the editorial comment of the anti-Government papers this morning there is a scathing comment on the Government in connection with the report of the recent fires in Cork:—"We most strongly urge upon the Government," says the "Times", "that it should have been impossible for any document of this description, whether founded on truth or falsehood, or both, to have anticipated the official report. Owing to the Cabinet's foolish hesitation we are not in a position today to try any of it". The "Daily News" says: "No more damaging incident has marked the Government's catas-

trophic Irish policy". The "Daily Herald" says: "The Government's silence is the silence of panic."

Adelaide, Jan. 20th.—Australia won the third test match by 119 runs from the English team. The Australians have now captured three out of five test games. The English team in their second innings had to get 489, and Hobbs only seemed a match for the Australian bowling. He scored a wonderful 123.

London, Jan. 20th.—Lord Riddell addressing the Postmaster-General on behalf of a deputation of the newspaper interests regarding their facilities of world communication, said that while the press declined to take any subsidies from the Government for a news service in any circumstances, they asked that the postal department provide a cheap and efficient service. Lord Riddell said the papers were constantly reproached by Dominion residents in Great Britain because they did not carry more Canadian or Australian news. In reply the Postmaster-General said that financial considerations operated in other spheres than the newspaper world. The department was seeing what arrangement could be made by having stations here which would receive communications from wireless naval stations in America. As for the service with the Dominions where private companies would not operate it would have to be carried on by the government.

London, Jan. 11th.—Alleged Sinn Fein centres in this city were subjected to simultaneous raids by Scotland Yard detectives late last night, says the "Daily Graphic". Buildings in both the east and west end, notably in Bayswater, Barnsbury, Paddington, Eastham and Hanwell, were raided, and a number of important documents were seized. Local importance is attached to a raid on a four story house in Colville Terrace, Bayswater, which was thoroughly searched for hours.

London, Jan. 20th.—Discussing the appointment of Mr. Churchill as Colonial Secretary, the "Times" says that while he has made mistakes, the dominion would sooner have a man of impetuosity and energy at the Colonial Office, than the type of politician who cannot mention the empire with lapsing into prosy platitudes. The "Times" however suggests that Mr. Churchill should have far more recent knowledge of the Dominions than he now possesses, and says a flying visit to the Dominions, preferably before the Dominion Premiers meet here in June, would be of value to him. The "Times" adds that if at the June meeting the Dominion Premiers show a decided preference for having the formal charge of the affairs of their country in London taken from the Colonial Office, there is little doubt that their views in the matter will be met. But if by that time Mr. Churchill has shown conspicuous fitness as the British Minister in con-

stant touch with the dominions, they very possibly will be content to maintain the present relations and leave well enough alone.

New York, Jany. 20th.—Raw sugar was unchanged early today, with no further sale reported. Cuba's 4½ cent and freight, equal to 5.39 for centrifugal. Refined was quiet and unchanged, at 7.75 for fine granulated. Sugar futures opened quiet and at noon prices were unchanged with operators inclined to await fresh developments in the spot market.

NEW YORK, January 21st 1921.
Flour, Blended Clears St. Lawrence Brand
pr. brl. \$9.50.
Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$2.00
New Season's Pork per brl. \$37.00
Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$29.00
Sugar---Crystals maximum per 100 lbs.
\$5.39
Molasses Sugar 89° test, no quotation.
Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool
per lb. 9 35-100d.
Exchange, New York and London, 60
days' sight \$3.74
Exchange New York and London, sight
\$3.72½-3.77½.

LONDON, Jan. 21st 1921.
Sugar, Demerara Crystals, Govt. controlled price, duty paid 129s. 9d.
" Demerara Crystals free of control, duty paid, 63s. 67s.
" Moscovado Govt. controlled price, duty paid, 124s. 9d.
" " free of control duty paid 35s. - 50s.
" " fine 75s.
German Beet 88° f.o.b. no sales
White Java sugar cif United Kingdom nominal 42s. 0d.
Demerara Rum, per gal. nominal.
Trinidad Cocoa, Good Middling Red nominal per cwt 67s. 70s.
Cotton, Medium Fine Sea Island, at Liverpool per lb. nominal
Bank of England rate of Discount per cent. 7.
Consols 47½.
Three per cent rents in Paris Fcs. 57.55.
All prices subject to correction.

Just Received
Ex S. S. Guiana
APPLES,
GRAPES,
PEARS,
TURNIPS,
CARBOTS,
BEETS,
6,000 pounds Potatoes @ 5c. pr. lb.
1,000 Onions @ 10c. pr. lb.
Come now, and buy quickly before all is gone.
Christiansted, St. Croix, 17th Dec. 1920.
A. R. McIntosh.