

to ease off again. Finals March 6.08, May 5.17, July 5.23, September 5.28. Refined sugar was firm and unchanged to 24 points higher. Fine granulated ranged in price from 8.50 to 8.75. Business was less active, refined futures nominal.

London, Jan. 31st.—A possibility that the new Government may adopt a fresh policy towards the employment of aerial bombing, seems foreshadowed in an international communication issued from the Colonial Office today. Alluding to recent newspaper comments on the bombing by aircraft of natives in the Kingdom of Irak, the communication says, "The whole question of the employment of aircraft in support of the authorities is being considered afresh by His Majesty's Government."

Moscow, Jan. 31st.—Lenine's widow has publicly appealed through the press asking that no money be wasted in erecting monuments in honour of the late Premier. She points out that Lenine gave little thought to such show himself. The widow requests that if the country desires to honour her husband the movement take the form of an endowment for nurses, kindergartens, orphanages, schools, hospital and such institutions for the relief of the suffering people. Plans had been under way to erect monuments to Lenine in half a dozen cities.

BARBADOS NEWS.

Whilst the telegrams have been bringing us news of snow storms and blizzards in Europe and America, we have been having the loveliest weather imaginable. It is many years since January has been so delightfully cool and bracing, night and day.

The rainfall for December helped up the total for the year which was a little over 40 lines in the lowlands and 68 inches in the highlands.

The young crop is coming on nicely; a little supplying has been rendered necessary in some places by swamping of the young shoots owing to the heavy rains, but this is as nothing compared to the benefit conferred in every other direction by these rains. The old cane crop has made wonderful improvement and whilst some of the heavily ratooning will be so appreciably benefited the plant canes are responding everywhere. The reaping will be delayed by the continued growth of the canes and the factories will hardly start grinding on any scale before March. A few wind mills are at work grinding canes for syrup. Improvements and extensions in machinery are still being made. Vacuum pans are being installed at Lower Estate, St. Michael, Hopewell, St. Thomas, and Joes River, St. Joseph. Haggatts, St. Andrews, is also adding to its factory.—*The Barbados Advocate*, Jan. 14th.

INNER SHRINES OF TUT HIDDEN FROM PUBLIC

Carter Refuses to Allow View of Sarcophagus in Tomb of King.

Luxor, Jan. 14.—Despite the request of the Minister of Public Works that Howard Carter permit the newspapermen here to see the third and fourth shrines and the sarcophagus in the tomb of Tut-ankh-amen, the correspondents were only allowed to see what they were shown two weeks ago.

In order to enable the excavators to clear the lid of the second shrine, it has been necessary to erect more scaffolding, until today the mortuary chapel resembles a half completed building. Carter stated that he hopes to have the dismantlement of the lids of the third and fourth shrines completed in about sixteen days, and he will then be free to raise the lid of the sarcophagus.

He anticipates that the lifting of the lid will be his most difficult task, as he estimated the weight of the single piece of granite at more than two tons.

While members of Carter's staff say they are as anxious as anyone to see what is under the lid of the sarcophagus, the formal work of dismounting the frail woodwork is disheartening and monotonous. There is the ever present danger of splitting the wood, or incurring any other accident however slight, which would be hailed by the hostile Egyptians as proof of the incompetence of the excavators.—*Boston American*, Jan. 15th.

CRIBS BEING ARMORED TO DEFEND BABIES AGAINST RATS

New York, Jan. 15.—Baby cribs in New York's tenement districts were being armored against assaults by sewer rats which have attacked and bitten three children in the past week.

Adele Quattrochi, who was bitten thirteen times by a rat "as large as a cat," was back in her crib after being treated at the hospital. Her mother has encased the crib in small-mesh chicken wire.—*Ibid.*

SEE CURE FOR FLY ON ALLIGATOR PEARS.

Honolulu, Hawaii, Jan. 16.—A series of interesting experiments to determine whether refrigeration will rid alligator pears of the Mediterranean fruit fly pest and thus permit their shipment to the mainland and other markets are being conducted here by the United States agricultural experiment station. In the meantime local growers are watching the experiments with interest. They are of the belief that refrigeration will kill the fruit fly and its egg, that the quarantine will be lifted and practically a new industry will thus be opened.—*Ibid.*

CANCER REMEDY FOUND BY JAPANESE.

Berlin, Jan. 15.—Prof. Matsushita, of Tokio, publishes a statement in the German medical review, telling of a new remedy for cancer. The remedy is called Carcinolysin and has been successfully applied to 2,500 Japanese patients. It is fermented from the Chinese flower "Haisming" and is mixed with a certain oil known as "Poh" while not causing harm to a healthy person; the remedy destroys cancer germs. Prof. Matsushita recommends that carcinolysin be used for a cure after an operation.—*Ibid.*

"YES, HE HAD —"

It was the "Object", drawing lesson, when the boys were supposed to bring some article—a hammer, a top, a box, or what not—with them to school to serve as model.

One boy presented himself at the teacher's desk with the tearful announcement. "Please, sir, I've swallowed my object."

"Swallowed it?" cried the teacher, in alarm. "Whatever was it?"

"Please, sir," with a gulp, "a banana."

The teacher was giving a lesson on the crocodile.

"You must give me all your attention," he said. "It is impossible for you to form a true idea of the hideous reptile unless you keep your eyes fixed on me."

A woman rarely puts off till tomorrow what she can say today.

She—"John, you did not look so foolish when you asked me to marry you."

He—"I didn't just look it."

HOME COURSE

Minister's Daughter: Now, James, you must come to church this evening. Father is preaching from the text, "Love ye one another."

James: "Can't we stop at home and practice what he preaches?"

"I suppose Henry," said the old gentleman to his new son-in-law, "that you are aware the check for \$50,000 that I put among your wedding presents was merely for effect."

"Oh yes, sir," responded the cheerful Henry, "and the effect was excellent. The bank cashed it this morning without a word."

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