

ing completed discharge of damaged cargo from No. 3 hold proceeded on her voyage this afternoon.

Barbados, Sept. 24th.—S. S. "Orca" with the final draft of soldiers arrived yesterday afternoon from Havre and left for St. Lucia at midnight. The Barbados contingent received the same hearty welcome that was extended the previous contingents.

London, Sept. 23rd.—Sugar in stock on the 20th inst. was 134,000 tons. Last year 255,000 tons.

Correction. In paragraph "Washington Sept. 22nd" of yesterday's news read: "Was constitutional" instead of was made constitutional".

Fiume, Sept. 21st.—Four companies of Italian infantry guarding the armistice line went over to Dannunzio's force during the last 24 hours. The conservative figures place the number of troops in Fiume at 8,000 consisting of infantry, cavalry, artillery, aviators, marines, and sailors. Two brigades can be formed from this force.

Versailles, Sept. 23rd.—(Hava's). Baron Kurt von Eisner, head of the German Mission, signed the proposal annulling Article 61 of the German Constitution yesterday afternoon. This article provided for Austrian representation in the German Parliament.

Paris, Sept. 23rd.—Members of the Dutch Delegation in this city emphatically deny the reported break in diplomatic relations between Belgium and Holland. M. Jonkheer Rencke Van Swindersen, head of the Netherlands representative here, said today to the Associated Press. Quite on the contrary, I have felt we were nearing an understanding on the questions under discussion".

Halifax, N.S., Sept. 23rd.—Messrs. Furness Withy & Co. Ltd. have acquired the New York-Bermuda Line formerly operated by the Quebec Steamship Co. and the Canada Steamship Lines Ltd.. The Company will put into the service two fine British passenger steamers of the highest class at Lloyds, fitted expressly for the Bermuda route.

Portsmouth, Sept. 22nd.—Vice Admiral, Sir David Beatty, was to-night given a unique compliment when with 42 of his Admirals he was entertained at dinner in the Town Hall here by some 500 lower deck and presented with a silver cigar box as a token of loyalty and affection from all the ratings in the Navy. The day was made a great occasion, here, salutes being fired upon the Vice Admiral's arrival and his motor car being hauled through the streets to the Town Hall by sailors. Twenty thousand towns people gathered at the Town Hall and cheered heartily while the 500 hosts of the Vice Admiral formed on the steps to welcome him.

Vancouver, Sept. 23rd.—Vancouver turned out in tens of thousands yesterday to welcome the Prince of Wales. A lengthy programme of public and semi-

public functions awaited His Royal Highness who is to remain in this city until this afternoon.

Vienna, Sept. 23rd.—There has been made public from the Archives of the former Austro-Hungarian Government, minutes of the meeting of the Privy Council on July 7th, 1914, at which it was virtually decided to begin war on Serbia. According to this publication the Ministry of Austro-Hungary, especially Count Leopold von Berchtold, Foreign Minister, was solely responsible for the outbreak of hostilities.

Rome, Sept. 23rd.—Signor Tittoni, the Italian Foreign Minister, has resigned because of the Fiume incident, according to an announcement by the Giornale d'Italia.

Halifax, September 24th.—A wireless message from the S. S. "Henrie" 42.43 north, 44.44 west, dated Sept. 21st at 5.00 p.m. informs the Marine Dept. here that she passed what appeared to be a mine three feet in diameter rough coloured, crusty and covered with barnacles.

NEW YORK Sept. 24th 1919.
Flour, Blended Clear St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. \$10.50.
Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$3.90
New Season's Pork per brl. \$50.00
Heavy Mess Pork per hbl. \$51.00
Sugar---Crystals (Confirmed by Brokers) per 100 lbs. \$7.28.
Molasses 89° test pr 100 lbs. no quotation.
Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 17 70-100d.
Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight, \$4.15
Exchange New York and London, sight \$4.17½

LONDON, Sept. 24th 1919.
Sugar-Demerara Crystals duty paid price, fixed by the Royal Commission per cwt 57s. 9d. -91s. 0d.
Muscovado, 89° basis, floating terms in bond, Ditto duty paid. 55s. 6d. 78s. 6d.
German Beet 88° f.o.b. no further sales during the war
Java 96° Gibraltar or Channel for Orders floating terms, no quotations.
Demerara Rum, per gal. nominal.
Trinidad Cocoa, Good Middling Red per cwt. 125s. -d. 127s.
Cotton, Medium Fine Sea Island, at Liverpool nominal per lb.
Bank of England rate of Discount per cent. 5.
Consols 50½
Three per cent rentes in Paris Fcs. 60.50
All prices subject to correction.

TOBACCO MAN IN CAIRO THROUGHOUT THE WAR.

A. H. Staples Brings Family Back After Many Trying Experiences; He Returns to the East.

A. H. Staples, for several years engaged in the tobacco business in Porto Rico, has been in San Juan the past

few days enroute from St. Croix to New York, where he will sail for Egypt and later he will go to India and China.

Mr. Staples with his family for the past five years has been in Cairo, Egypt, where he has been in charge of important interests for the British American Tobacco Company, and while here related many interesting experiences and incidents of the war as he observed them in Egypt.

We were bombed from airplanes on several occasions", said Mr. Staples, "and in Cairo it was generally supposed that the one in charge of these air raids was a former Austrian who had been a resident of Cairo. There was considerable mystery about these raids because the nearest known airbase was too far away for aeroplanes to fly to Cairo and carry a large supply of bombs. It was believed that a temporary base was established in the desert near Cairo and that the actual attack was made from there. Many people were killed and considerable damage was done."

Mr. Staples said that he had great difficulty in bringing his family from Cairo and it seem an impossible undertaking. He had been so long in Cairo, however, that he was determined to get his family out of that city at the earliest possible moment. He said he felt he had done nothing but catch steamers for the past four months. He came here after leaving his family at Saint Croix, Mrs. Staples' former home, for the winter.

Despite unsettled conditions throughout the war Mr. Staples said that his company was able to keep its factories in Cairo in operation throughout the war. In describing the difficulty in getting supplies to Egypt during the war Mr. Staples related this experience: "You know how much an Englishman thinks of his whisky and soda. Well, during the war in order to get any machinery or equipment the authorities had to be convinced that the supplies were necessary. If you could convince them of this you might get a permit and after the permit you might get the goods although that was not certain. We wanted to get some machinery through and took the matter up with the officials. We were told it was utterly impossible. We can't even get any soda water through, it was explained.—Porto Rico Progress, Sept. 22nd.

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