

approaching a place where a dance was being held near Bruff, County Limerick, were fired upon early today and one policeman was killed when the crown forces returned the fire. 138 civilians were made prisoners.

Berlin, Dec. 27th.—President Ebert has issued a proclamation of appreciation for the sympathy shown for needy Germans by foreigners, and has especially thanked the Quakers and other organizations which have been feeding the children and hungry students.

New York, Dec. 27th.—No fresh business was reported in raw sugar today, and prices were unchanged at 5.38 for centrifugals. Refined was steady at 7.90 to 8.00 for fine granulated, with the demand light, with the trading awaiting developments in the spot market. Prices were 8 to 9 points net lower at noon under light liquidation.

London, Dec. 27th.—The long Christmas holiday, lasting from Friday night to Tuesday morning, is nearly over and so far has been uneventful. The weather, though damp, has been exceptionally mild. Many excursion trains have been run and the exodus to the country and seaside has been so great that London streets have worn a comparatively deserted appearance. The hotels, however, have been scenes of festivities, and carol singing, which have been greatly developed in recent years, has drawn large crowds to the churches and concert halls.

New York, Dec. 27th.—The Weather Bureau today issued a warning of a north-west storm from Cape Hatteras to New York. Disturbances Lower Lakes moving eastward, reads the warnings, second disturbances over southeast Virginia increasing in intensity and moving northeast will cause strong west and north west winds and gales tonight.

Paris, Dec. 28th.—News paper reports received here declare that the wound suffered by D'Annunzio was caused by a fragment of a shell. A Rome despatch states that Gioletti declared to a delegation from parliament that Italy was forced to her action against D'Annunzio to avert an attack upon Fiume to Jugoslavia.

London, Dec. 28th.—There is reason to believe that Fiume is occupied by regular troops, Premier Gioletti of Italy declared at a press conference in Rome last night, according to a Central News despatch.

Baltimore, Dec. 28th.—Continued improvement in Cardinal Gibbons condition was reported from the Union Mills where he is staying. It was said that he had passed a comfortable night and was bright and cheerful. The physician said that if he continued to gain strength he would soon be able to return to Baltimore, probably in about a week.

Rome, Dec. 28th.—The Pope has ordered that special prayers be said for Cardinal Gibbons here. Prayers are also being offered daily at the Church of

St. Marie in Trastevere which is the church of the Cardinal.

New York, Dec. 28th.—Raw sugar was quiet early and prices were nominally unchanged at 5.31 for centrifugals. Refining was steady with after demand. Fine granulated was quoted at \$7.90 to \$8.00.

Rome, Dec. 28th.—Firing on Fiume by the Italian blockading forces will be suspended, it was decided at a conference in Abbazia today, according to advices received here. The suspension was requested by the director of National Defense at Fiume and the Mayor of the city, who met General Ferrario, commander of the blockading forces, to discuss the possibility of ending hostilities. At a conference in the morning the General informed the delegates that pour parlars were impossible without prior recognition of the treaty of Rapallo. Such recognition not having been given the delegates decided to return to Fiume to discuss the matter, and asked for another meeting in the afternoon. They also asked for a suspension of the firing, which was granted. Pro-D'Annunzio demonstrations, which resulted in disturbances, have been held in all the great centres of Italy. Shops everywhere have been shut up. On their doors are posters reading:—"Closed as a sign of national mourning". Flags have been half-masted. In Milan, Genoa and Bologna the police were compelled to intervene to restore order. No serious incidents, however, have been reported, although two persons were wounded in Turin. The Executive Committee of the Milan Nationalists have passed a resolution pledging the Nationalists "to immediately rise up against the Govt., which alone is responsible for the crime perpetrated against Fiume".

Dublin, Dec. 28th.—Countess Markievicz who was tried by courtmartial was today sentenced to 2 years hard labour. The specific allegation against her was that she had between 1919 and 1920 plotted to organize a "fianx eirann" or Sinn Fein Boy Scout Society. This organization has been charged with conspiracy to murder military police.

London, Dec. 28th.—Calls for Great Britain, Japan and the United States to curtail naval expenditure by mutual agreement were featured by a number of newspapers this morning; in following this course they give expression to a fear which has prevailed here since the receipts of reports of the new United States naval programme and an anxiety which may be traced to the assumption that if they would build a big navy, Great Britain must do likewise. The Morning Post remarks that politicians in the United States have chosen a moment when the wartime fellowship of the British and United States Navies and chivalrous courtesy of the American seamen have united the naval services of the two nations, to declare in effect that

the British Navy is a potential menace to America. Of the essential contradiction between American political and American practice. Professing no desire to deny the right of the United States to build as large a navy as she thinks proper, admitting she can afford to do so, the Post contends, that the conclusion of a working agreement between the United States and Great Britain would do more to establish the peace than any other plan conceivable and urges that the recent utterances of Senator Borah and others encourage the belief that such an arrangement is possible. Another plea for an agreement between the United States, Japan and Great Britain is voiced by the Daily News, which urges that the interval between the present moment and the inauguration of President Harding should be utilized by the statesmen of the three countries to educate the public. The time should be utilized by the public to stimulate statesmen to initiate conversations with a view to arriving at the most desirable and most practical step toward relieving the people of a burden which is condemned universally in theory as intolerable.

NEW YORK, 31st Dec, 1920
 Flour, Blended Clears St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. \$8.00
 Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$2.40
 New Season's Pork per brl. \$37.00
 Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$29.00
 Sugar---Crystals maximum per 100 lbs. \$5.31.
 Molasses Sugar 89° test, no quotation.
 Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 9 29-100d.
 Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight \$3.46½
 Exchange New York and London, sight \$3.50½

LONDON, Dec. 31st 1920.
 Sugar, Demerara Crystals, Govt. controlled price, duty paid 29s. 9d.
 " Demerara Crystals free of control, duty paid, 66s. 7½s.
 " Moscovado Govt. controlled price, duty paid, 124s. 9d.
 " free of control duty paid 33s. 50s.
 " fine 75s.
 German Beet 88° f.o.b. no sales.
 White Java sugar of United Kingdom nominal 50s. 0d.
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