

every self governing state that has a vote on the league is represented and not only the self governing independent states but the self governing colonies and the dominions, such as Canada, New Zealand, Australia and South Africa. They are all represented in the assembly and it is in the assembly that the combined representation of the several members of the British Empire are assigned six votes, and you are constantly being told that Great Britain has six votes, and we have one. I want you to appreciate the full significance that they have six votes in the assembly and the assembly does not vote. So that bubble is exploded. There are several matters in which the vote of the assembly must cooperate with the vote of the council, but in every such case a unanimous vote of the council is necessary. In as much as the United States is a permanent member of the council, her vote is necessary to every active policy of the league and therefore the single vote of the United States always counts six so far as the votes of the British Empire are concerned".

London, Sept. 25th.—The "Evening News" today announces that as the result of a consultation by the Cabinet with Lord French, the Lord Lieut. of Ireland, another attempt will be made by the Govt. to settle the Irish question and that Lord French will retain his office.

Paris, Sept. 25th.—Speaking in the Chamber of Deputies today on the German Peace Treaty Premier Clemenceau said that if he had any word to send the United States Senate, it would be that it hurry the ratification of the treaty. Replying to criticism of the treaty, M. Clemenceau said the league of nations was not as perfect as President Wilson would have desired but that he had no criticisms to offer. If Germany had not been checked, the Premier declared during his remarks, she would have germanized the whole world. The Socialists in the Chamber, where there was a full attendance of the deputies, protested violently at this assertion. The Premier read documents showing that Great Britain came spontaneously to the help of France without being bound by any military accord. The Premier spoke a little more than two hours. He held the close attention of the Chamber, except for the brief but violent interruptions of the Socialists. His principal argument in reply to the criticism of the treaty was that France was only one of the four Great Powers that had won the war and therefore it could not expect a distinctly French peace. These Powers had to make peace together as they had made war, he said.

London, Sept. 25th.—The Railwaymen's Leaders tonight at the Institution of Sir Eric Geddes, have consented to reopen negotiations on the standardized

wages question, conferences have been held during the day and the feeling exists that the strike will be averted. The precipitate action of the Union Executive in sending ultimatum to the Govt. was due to Sir Eric Geddes proposals being described as "Indefinite". Mr. Thomas, M. P. the Railwaymen's leader accepted this at its exact meaning as a result of today's meeting between the Premier and the Executive. It is confidently expected that a fresh and more acceptable offer will be made.

NEW YORK, Sept. 26th 1919.

Flour, Blended Clear St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. \$10.50.
Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$4.10
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. 19 80-100d.
Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight \$4.20
Exchange New York and London, sight \$4.24

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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. 6d. 127s. 6d.
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. 60.95
All prices subject to correction.

NEW RAPID-FIRE CAMERA.

A Camera that takes 500 pictures per second has been produced for photographing such phenomena as the electric arc and showing all its details. A focal-plane shutter, operated electrically, is arranged to admit light through each of 24 lenses in succession, the length of exposure, adjustable at will, being from 1-1500 to 1-10 second. In photographing the arc the camera is put into the electric circuit with it. After focusing carefully by means of a ground glass and adjusting each lens so as to give a sharp image the current is turned on, starting the camera and the arc simultaneously. Similar phenomena and experiments of various kinds may be photographed to reveal them to the eye as they can be revealed in no other way—*The Pathfinder*.

X-RAY TESTS AIRPLANE WOOD.

British manufacturers have found that it is decidedly advantageous to examine with the x-rays all wood that is to be used for important parts of airplanes. Defects, such as borings of beetles, are plainly revealed by this process when no trace of them is apparent to the eye. —*Ibid*.

UNEVEN DISTRIBUTION OF POPULATION.

Two grave problems have arisen over which authorities are especially concerned. One is to determine what shall be done with the former service men who are desirous of migrating to the dominions or to foreign countries (principally the United States) in the hope of finding better opportunities. The other is the disposition of England's large surplus of women. The government does not question the right of people to leave the mother country to go to the dominions or elsewhere, yet it is possible, it is pointed out that in the restive ones realized conditions as they are they would not be so hasty. Good land today in many parts of England is cheaper than it is in New Zealand. The outlying possessions are not in need of farmers so much as they are of laborers and domestic servants but England needs all of her rural population. Men especially are wanted in England while in the dominions there are more men than women. If it could be possible to persuade the male portion to remain in the mother country and induce some of the surplus women to do the emigrating the problems of satisfactory population adjustment would be much nearer of solution than they are at present. —*Ibid*.

RESTOCKING FRENCH FARMS.

Cattle, sheep and pigs are being sent through the agriculture relief committee to France to help restock the devastated farms of the battle zone. A few days ago farmers donated a consignment comprising 37 pedigreed shorthorn bulls, 266 heifers and about 1000 head of poultry to peasants in the department of the Somme. —*Ibid*.

"Did the doctor do anything to hasten your recovery?"

"He certainly did; told me he was going to charge me \$5 a visit."

During a brawl in Chicago an Irishman got poked in the eye with a stick, and he immediately started proceedings against the offender.

"Come now" said the magistrate "you don't really believe he meant to put your eye out?"

"No, I don't," said the Celt, but I do believe he tried to put it farther in."