

ter, Chief Petty Officer, by said Department.

The Navy Bands are noted not only for their good music, but particular for their good behaviour, deportment, neatness, and cleanliness of uniforms.

While wishing the departed bandmen success in their new field endeavour, we must also congratulate the Officers at Cocco Solo in having among them as good a set of men that has ever donned Uncle Sam's uniform — *The Sparks*, Jan. 15th.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, Jan. 18th. — Forsyth Smith, Canadian fruit trade commissioner in Liverpool, writing to the Pall Mall Gazette today, corrects the statement recently made in the press that Canadian apples were selling at 130 to 140 shillings a barrel while importers, prices were generally 100 shillings below the price fixed by the food controllers. He says the Canadian grower receives no more than 22 to 30 shillings a barrel. The retailer for merely handing out the contents of the package received more than the grower for his working growing, cultivation, spraying, picking, grading and selecting fruit for export. This is surely a startling anomaly, he concluded.

New York, Jan. 18th. — While there was no change in the spot price of raw sugar, which remains 4½ cents for Cuba shipments, sugars were easier on sales of 13,000 bags for prompt shipment, @ 4 7/16 cents cost and freight, equal to 5.46 for centrifugal. Refined was quiet at 7.85 for fine granulated. Sugars futures were quiet and easier under commission house selling.

Tokio, Jan. 18th. — Proposals emanating from the United States that Japan, Great Britain and the United States "take a naval holiday" is eloquent proof that despite fabulous riches of the United States she wishes to curtail national expenditures and therefore the proposals are intended more to help the United States than to contribute to the peace of the world, said Marquis Okuma, ex-Japanese Premier, in an interview here today. He asserted the United States should first consult Great Britain relative to the suggested suspension of the naval programme. "Only when an American-British agreement has been reached," he said, "can Japan be in a position to consider this proposition. Japan's naval programme is fixed at the minimum necessary for national defence."

Ottawa, Jan. 18th. The agent of the British Ministry of Food in Canada has been authorized to purchase first quality Canadian butter at a price equivalent to 300 shillings per hundredweight cif. This is the highest price paid here by the ministry for butter supplies.

New York, Jan. 18th. — British boxers made a clean sweep over Americans here

last night in the first international amateur tournament staged by International Sporting Clubs. The champions of the London police force and the British Royal Navy defeated the best of the respective American Clubs before a large crowd in the Ball Room of the Commodore Hotel. Captain Chandler, heavyweight champion of the British Army, won the decision from private John Courtwright, Camp Walbridge, Maryland, in the first bout. Watson, the champion of the British navy was awarded the decision over Ritchie of the Hampton Roads Station, in the third bout. Millin, middleweight king of the London "Bobbies", defeated Johnny Ruffin of the New York forces. The card was swept clean when Hugh Brown, light heavy-weight, knocked out sergeant Ben Davis, an Indiana dough boy. The bouts were witnessed by a representative crowd.

Boston, Jan. 18th. — The stock brokerage and investment security firm of Ernst Smith and Co. have filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. Assets of \$1,397,308 were claimed and liabilities \$846,094 given.

Santiago, Chile, Jan. 17th. — A violent earthquake was felt here at 9.30 o'clock this evening. Hundreds of persons fled to the streets in alarm. No serious damage has been reported.

Dublin, Jan. 18th. — An official proclamation has been issued in Tipperary forbidding fairs, markets and public assemblies in the Tipperary, Cashal and Killenaule districts, owing to the murders and attacks on police barracks.

Paris, Jan. 19th. — The abandonment of the plan of fixing the total amount of reparations to be paid by Germany, and the substitution of annual payments, has been agreed on by the French, British and German delegates, says Berlin despatches to "Le Journal". The newspaper says that for a period of five years the annual payments would be made in kind under the terms of the arrangement made.

Adelaide, Jan. 19th. — Australia completed second innings in their 3rd cricket test match with England here today and scored the fine total of 582 runs. The innings saw three centuries. Armstrong 121, Kelleway 137 and Pellew 104. Cricket experts state that Stonewalling innings of Armstrong yesterday was the finest ever seen in Australia. At the close of the day's play, England lost one wicket for 66 runs.

The Hague, Jan. 19th. The official correspondence bureau denied reports in circulation that the members of the Hohenzollern family had been ordered to leave Holland because it was stated the Allied diplomats have informed the Dutch Government that they were planning a counter-revolution in Germany.

New York, Jan. 18th. — The number of persons arrested for intoxication in

New York City during the first year of prohibition enforcement was 156 greater than the year before, a comparison of statistics made public at the magistrates court disclosed today. From June to December 1920, the monthly scale of arraignments in court has increased steadily. Male alcoholic cases in Bellevue Hospital have doubled since prohibition became effective, and women patients are also more numerous, declared Dr. Menas Gregory, director of the institution's psychopathic and alcoholic wards.

New York, Jan. 19th. — The market for raw sugar under more liberal offerings declined to the basis of and quarter cents for Cuba's, cost and freight, equal to 5-39 for centrifugals. There were sales of 20,000 bags of Porto Rico's afloat and 10,000 bags Cuba's for prompt shipment. Refined was unsettled by the decline in raws although prices were unchanged at 7.75 for fine granulated. The easier feeling in the spot market led to scattered selling in futures and prices at midday were 3 to 7 points net lower.

NEW YORK, January 20th 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 43-100d.

Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight \$3.72

Exchange New York and London, sight \$3.72½-3.75½

LONDON, Jan. 20th 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 38½ f.o.b. no sale

White Java sugar cif United Kingdom nominal 42s. 0d.

Demerara Rum, per gal. nominal.

Trinidad Cocoa, Good Middling Ref 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.

White Lime delivered in Christiansted at \$1.00 pr. barrel from 10 January 1921.

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