

aviator's instruments showed that he experienced a temperature of more than 25 degrees fahrenheit below zero.

Tokio, Aug. 15th.—The restitution to China by Japan of those parts of the province of Shantung, including Kiaochau, now occupied by Japanese forces will be made without unnecessary delay, but the time required will be dependent upon the attitude of China, was stated today by the Prime Minister in answer to a question as to when the actual restoration would take place.

Washington, August 15th.—The first definite move towards the long expected change in policy in dealing with Mexico was disclosed yesterday, President Carranza being warned that if murders and outrages of Americans continue the U. S. may be forced to adopt a radical change in its policy with regard to Mexico.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20th 1919.
Flour, Blended Clear St. Lawrence Brand
pr. brl. \$10.25.
Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$4.85
New Season's Pork per brl. \$58.00
Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$53.00
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. 18 60-100d.
Exchange, New York and London, 60
days' sight \$4.10
Exchange New York and London, sight
\$4.12½

LONDON, Aug. 20th 1919.
Sugar-Demerara Crystals duty paid price,
fixed by the Royal Commission per cwt.
57s. 9d. -82s. 0d.
Muscovado, 89° basis, floating terms in
bond, Ditto duty paid. 55s. 6d. -73s. 0d.
German Beet 88°/o f.o.b. no further sales
during the war
Java 96°/o 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 Liv-
erpool nominal per lb.
Bank of England rate of Discount per
cent. 5.
Consols 51½
Three per cent rentes in Paris Fcs. 61.25
All prices subject to correction.

EMIGRATION TO CUBA SANCTIONED.

Cuba in the past was never considered as a field for emigrants from Barbados, but today all eyes are turned to that Republic as the place to give relief to some of our surplus population by affording employment for thousands of agricultural labourers. Cuba is noted as a sugar producing country, but there are many other industries carried on beside the manufacture of sugar. The iron and copper mines furnish employment for thousands of Gallegos (Spanish

labourers) and banana and coconut cultivation cigar and cigarette making give employment to the natives. American capital has done much to develop Cuba and in the works of construction and in agriculture thousands of British West Indians from Jamaica are engaged. The Jamaican settlers are so numerous that every darkey speaking English is considered a Jamaican (pronunciation in Spanish (Hamiqueno). Each of the largest ingenious or central factories is bigger than the whole island of Barbados and it is for one of these, Chaparra, that an agent, Mr. Nolasco, has come here in search of labourers. Mr. G. S. Archer, on behalf of Nolasco, approached His Excellency the Governor in Executive Committee for permission to recruit 2000 labourers, but failed to get a favourable answer within a certain time. Meanwhile Mr. Nolasco received a telegram from St. Thomas informing him that the American Government had granted him permission to recruit labourers from the Q. S. V. I. for work at Chaparra and so he left for St. Thomas via St. Kitts by the V. L. S. Guiana Thursday night. Mr. Archer received an intimation yesterday that the Governor-in-Executive Committee had decided to grant the application to recruit labourers locally. A telegram will therefore be despatched to St. Kitts to Mr. Nolasco and in all probability he will be returning here shortly to make arrangements for engaging labourers.

Emigration to the U. S. A. and to Canada is prohibited and there is "nothing doing" in Para. Thousands are here in Barbados anxious to find a place where they can go and find employment at remunerative rates. Cuba is such a place and it would have been criminal had the Executive placed any obstacles in the way of those who desired to emigrate. We admit that the State has its duty to perform in seeing that Barbadians do not go to any place to be ill-treated or to become destitute eventually, but if a country is known by repute to be wealthy and to be settled the Barbados Govt. should only be too glad to know that a demand has come from that country for labourers. In a subsequent article we will give some particulars about Chaparra and offer certain advice to persons desirous of emigrating thither.—*Barbados Weekly Illustrated Paper, Aug. 2nd.*

SUGAR NOTES.

Belgium produced 205,000 tons of beet sugar in the campaign 1914-15; in 1915-16 it was 114,000 tons. 1916-17 it aggregated 136,000 tons and in 1917-18 it was only 131,000 tons. Germany requisitioned 31,000 tons in 1914-15 and 50,000 in 1915-16. A Bohemian exchange says that "Germany literally plundered Belgium and the home consumption was forced to one-

half of their needs and large quantities requisitioned that way."

The sugar output in Denmark for the year 1918-19 is placed at 141,000 tons, while the last previous three years the figures run as follows: 135,000, 112,000, 162,000 tons.

The eight hour day has been introduced into France but exceptions can be made on farms and such industries where it is impossible to adapt the eight hour day to the conditions of the industry.

Sugar rations in Holland have been increased by 1½ kilograms per month which will please our Dutch neighbors and make us rejoice too.

The visible supply of sugar on hand in England at the close of the week ending May 17 was 193,225 tons. Last year for the same week the supplies on hand were 123,024 tons.

The sugar market in southern China has been rather inactive in the middle of March, according to a recent report. The feeling between China and Japan is not the very best and in some instances has hindered proper trade relationship. White sugar has been selling at \$10.60 per picul and brown at \$9.60.

Seven factories in Germany were still running in March, which indicates that the country has had a long-drawn-out season, for seldom did any factories even run into January, but the war handicaps have slowed down the whole proceedings. The sugar content of beets in 1918-19 is placed at 15.38 per cent, while the year previous it was 16.74 per cent.

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