

ton, the ex-Premier of Australia, died at Sydney, N. S. W.

Paris, Jan. 7th.—It has been decided that the representatives of the United States will not be present during the exchange of the ratifications of the peace treaty of Versailles, which is still set for January 10th.

London, Jan. 7th.—The Bolsheviki have occupied Taganrog in the territory of Don Cossacks, on the northern shore of the sea of Azov. The capture of Taganrog, together with the operations of the enemy forces in eastern Stavropol, seems virtually to have isolated the Caucasus from Russia proper.

London, Jan. 7th.—The delegates of the Union Railwaymen who met here today to consider a proposition of the Government, with regard to a settlement of the wage demands of workers in the lower grades, adjourned until tomorrow without reaching a decision. Mr. J. H. Thomas in a statement at the close of the session said, "I clearly think that it is my duty to state that the resolutions received from the branches of the Union and the instructions to the delegates, are overwhelmingly against the acceptance of the Government's offer."

London, January 7th.—The Board of Trade figures for the year 1919 show that the imports increased £315,000,000 and the exports increased £297,000,000. The principal increases in imports were in food £142,000,000 and in material, including cotton £40,000,000 and wool £80,000,000. The chief increase in exports were coal £40,000,000 and manufactured articles £225,000,000, including cotton textiles £50,000,000 and wool textiles £48,000,000.

Columbus, January 7th.—The United Mine Workers of America, in a convention today, ratified the action of International officers, in accepting President Wilson's proposal to end the coal strike on a fourteen per cent increase basis and a commission to draw up a new wage agreement.

Mexico City, Jan. 5th.—Ten States were shaken by the earthquake, which on Saturday night destroyed at least two villages and caused many deaths in the State of Vera Cruz. The States were Puebla, Vera Cruz, Oaxaca, Guerrero, Morelos, Jalisco, Traxcala, Hidalgo and Queretaro. Reports received up to eleven o'clock last night indicated that the centre of the seismic convulsion was in the neighbourhood of Mount Orizaba, a volcano situated about 70 miles west of Vera Cruz.

Mexico City, January 6th.—Coutzland was destroyed by Saturday's earthquake with two thousand casualties including more than 1,000 dead, according to official reports received by presidential headquarters. Advices received from officers in Vera Cruz, the centre of the disturbance, states that the entire garrison at Tioceo is reported killed or injured. The dead numbered 30 and the injured

60. Virtually all roads in the surrounding districts are flooded or destroyed. According to reports at Barranca Grande, near Coutzland, there are 300 dead. The water level at Port Barranca del Agua rose 25 metres.

London, January 6th.—Premier Nitti and Foreign Minister Scialoja of Italy attended this morning a conference in Downing Street at which Mr. Lloyd George, Earl Curzon, Mr. Bonar Law and Marquis Imperiali were present. It is expected the conference will last all day as Adriatic matters are under discussion.

NEW YORK, Jan. 7th 1920.
 Flour, Blended Clear St. Lawrence Brand
 pr. brl. \$12.25
 Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$3.85
 New Season's Pork per brl. \$45.00
 Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$44.00
 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. 29 36-100d.
 Exchange, New York and London, 60
 days' sight \$3.14
 Exchange New York and London, sight
 \$3.76½

LONDON, Dec. 7th 1919.
 Sugar Demerara Crystals duty paid price,
 fixed by the Royal Commission per cwt
 66s. 0d. -100s. 0d.
 White Java sugar cif U. Kingdom cif
 without engagement. 8 50.
 White Java Sugar, cif United King-
 dom if arrives before 27th December 85/
 Demerara Rum, per gal. nominal.
 Trinidad Cocoa, Good Middling Red per
 cwt 128s. 0d. 130s. 0d.
 Cotton Medium Fine Sea Island, at Liv-
 erpool nominal per lb.
 Bank of England rate of Discount per
 cent. 6.
 Consols 50

CONTROL OF EAR TICKS.

Ear ticks infesting cattle cannot be eradicated by dipping or spraying, but they may be controlled, and the loss they cause prevented by injecting the ears with the mixture described below. This information is taken from *Farmers Bulletin* No. 980, United States Department of Agriculture, entitled 'The Spinose Ear Tick' by Mr. Marion Jones.

An effective remedy against ear ticks was formulated by the Bureau of Animal Industry and thoroughly tested during its field investigations. This remedy consists of a mixture of 2 parts by volume of ordinary commercial pine tar, and 1 part by volume of cotton seed oil. In mixing the ingredients add the cotton seed oil to the pine tar and stir until a uniformly smooth mixture is obtained. When the weather is cold, the pine tar and cotton seed should be warmed so that they will mix rapidly and flow freely, but they should not be heated more than is neces-

sary. The mixture will remain uniform for a long time without separation or deterioration. It is relatively inexpensive, easy to prepare, and when properly applied, it kills the ticks but does not injure the animals. It may be used on any species of domesticated animals.

Cotton-seed oil is a fairly good solvent for ear wax, and the mixture penetrates ordinary loose masses of ear wax and ticks, but it will not penetrate the hard masses. It not only kills all ear ticks with which it comes in contact, but being of a sticky consistence, it remains in the ears and protects the animals against reinfestation for about thirty days.

An ordinary metal or hard rubber syringe holding from one to two oz. is the best instrument to use for injecting the pine-tar cotton-seed-oil mixture.—*Agricultural News*.

FOR THE EX-SERVICE MAN.

The Red Cross does not desert the soldier as soon as he has been discharged from the army. Just as she cares for the recreation and comfort of the wounded man in the Army hospital so she looks out for the well being of the ex-service man who is under treatment in the Public Health Service Hospital.

Seven hundred thousand dollars' worth of Red Cross hospital materials including gauze bandages, pajamas, towels, comfort kits, laundry bags, fracture socks, bedroom slippers, underwear and bathrobes, have recently been transferred to Public Health Service Hospital warehouses to be distributed by the Red Cross Hospital personnel. These supplies will be sufficient to provide not only for the 3,000 patients who are at present in these hospitals, but for hundreds of others who are expected to enter soon for treatment. Any discharged soldier suffering from any disability contracted in the service is eligible for treatment in the Public Health Hospital, and on application to his local Red Cross Home Service section accommodations will be made for him. —*Everyday Life*.

DEAFNESS

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IF YOU ARE A SUFFERER—Go to your Local Druggist and order 'CONCENTRATED SOURDAL,' price 4/6 per tin. This New remedy gives almost immediate relief, and quickly effects a permanent cure. It penetrates to the actual seat of the complaint, and has completely cured many cases which were considered hopeless. If your Chemist does not yet stock 'SOURDAL,' do not accept any substitute, but send money-order for a supply direct to the 'SOURDAL' DISTRIBUTING CO., 38 STATION ROAD, CROYDON, SURREY, ENG., and a package will be mailed per return with full directions.