

importation of British soft mined coal to break the anthracite miners' walkout, it was announced by Joseph P. Ryan, Vice President of the organization. The statement was issued upon published reports from Washington that the Administration might authorize the use of the United States Shipping Board vessels to import coal, as cargo ballast, at low rates.

Lisbon, March 27th. — Ex Emperor Charles of Austria Hungary is seriously ill, according to advices received here today from Funchal, Madeira. Three of his children are also ill.

London, March 27th. — There will be "practically no deaths" from pneumonia when a new serum, comes into use, according to Mr. A. Cowan Guthrie of London, who says he has made this wonderful discovery. Dr. Guthrie says the experiments with his serum in the United States and England, show that pneumonia can be eliminated from the list of dangerous diseases. He expects to give the details of his discovery to the Royal Colonial Institute in a few days.

London, March 27th. — In the House of Lords today, Lord Birkenhead, in dealing with the future of the Anglo-Irish Treaty said he was not extravagantly optimistic over it, but that there was no ground for abandoning hope. "What encourages me most," he continued, "is the cumulative proof of the sincerity of the men with whom we are dealing". In the course of his speech Lord Birkenhead severely censured Lord Carson, the Ex Ulster leader, and now Lord of appeal, for his speech at Burton last Saturday, in which he attacked the coalition and Mr. Lloyd George and asserted that the Government had abandoned Ulster. Lord Birkenhead declared no Judge had the right to go into the Country and make political speeches.

London, March 27th. — The possibility of establishing Martial Law in a part of Belfast was foreshadowed by Mr. Winston Churchill in the House of Commons tonight. He declared the situation in Belfast was far worse than in the rest of Ireland, and that the Government was prepared to consider martial law with the military authorities. But he added, action could only be taken in agreement with the Ulster Government of whose strong efforts to compose matters in the City he was aware. Mr. Churchill believed the Catholics of the City of Belfast would favour martial law, so that control might be placed in the hands of the imperial troops. He suggested the question to be discussed at the coming Conference of Irish Ministers. The proposal to draw a cordon of imperial troops along the frontier should also be discussed. The plan, he thought, would be feasible about the middle of April, when the troops could go under canvas. Such, however, in the opinion of the Secretary are only pallia-

tive and the proper way to tranquilize the position was by a friendly agreement between the North and South. The Conference of the Irish Ministers, he said, would manage its own procedure. The Government had not decided to interfere, and if the Irish representatives preferred to discuss matters solely between themselves, the British Ministers would withdraw.

London, March 27th. — The Government Leaders have been asked very pointedly why the country should build two post-Jutland Battleships, as allowed in the Washington Naval Treaty. One line of criticism, based on Government admission, is that there will be no fighting use for such vessels, at least for ten years, and by that time the ships will be obsolete. Other criticisms based on the cry, are that battleships have out-lived their usefulness, and that a 9,000,000 pound vessel could be easily destroyed with one upper aeroplane bomb. The chief of the critics against having any battleships at all is Sir Percy Scott, former first Sea Lord, when he resumed his campaign against battleships in a series of letters sent to the newspapers. He says that the country should be saved the expense of building and maintaining what he considers unnecessary weapons, and strongly advocates the late Admiral Fishers declaration that "we should scrap the whole damned lot." What will happen to battleships during a future war, Sir Percy says, in his latest publication, could be as follows. "A leviathan, such as it is proposed to build, would be sighted by an aeroplane carrier, only one twentieth her size. This tiny craft, an observation of thousands of miles above it, spies the Leviathan, a hundred miles away and reports. The Captain of the tiny craft sounds the alarm and fifteen men spring into the seats of aeroplanes. At the proper distance off the Captain presses a button and off they go at 150 and 200 miles per hour. The Captain of the Leviathan has not time to sound the bugle for action before he is bombed".

London, March 27th. — Viscount Birkenhead's severe rebuke of Lord Carson for delivering political speeches from the public platform was the sensation of the parliamentary day. Viscount Birkenhead spoke with intense feeling and vehemence and his sentiments of censure poured in torrents from his lips. Lord Carson was absent, through illness, and Viscount Birkenhead intimated that had the subject of his remarks been present he would have been still more outspoken.

London, March 27th. — Oxford and Cambridge Universities met at the Queens Club for their 54th annual Athletic contests on Saturday, with an exceptionally fine lot of competitors on both sides. Cambridge thus far has won 25 meets, Oxford 23 and five have been tied. The 100 yards dash was won by P. M. Abri-

hams of Cambridge, with S. M. Butler, also of Cambridge, a close second. The time was 10 1/5 sec. The one mile run was won by H. R. Stanard of Cambridge, with W. G. Latham of Cambridge second. Time 4 mins. 22 2/5 seconds.

London, March 29th. — A bill to legitimize the offspring of unmarried parents is to be introduced shortly in the House of Commons as a Government measure, according to Captain Bowyer, M P for Buckingham. He made the announcement in an address at a recent meeting of the National League for health, maternity and child welfare.

Basel Switzerland, March 28th. — The Austrian Ex Archduke Leopold who broke with the House of Hapsburg ten years ago as a result of his marriage to a Viennese Actress, has applied to the little town of Rengensburg for aid from the Paupers Fund. His wife, whom he has divorced also asked for aid. The Archduke took the name of Leopold Woelfing at the time of his break with his Royal Relatives. He is living in Vienna and his former Wife is in Berlin.

Denver, March 28th. — District Attorneys in Colorado counties, where coal mines are located, have been asked to start criminal proceedings against all miners in their counties who quit on April 1st without giving 30 days notice of their intention to do so, as required by a state law, according to Wm. O'Reilly a member of the State Industrial Commission.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 29th. — A Tiger Shark twelve feet long and seven feet girth has been caught in the vicinity of the Tragedy. It has six rows of teeth and is declared to be a "Man Eating Shark" and apparently of different species to the one previously captured.

NEW YORK, March 29th.
Flour, Blended Clears St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. \$6.00.
Meal Kilndried per 100 lbs \$1.60
New Season's Pork per brl. \$37.00
Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$25.00
Sugar—Crystals maximum per 100 lbs. \$3 86

Molasses Sugar 89° test, no quotation.
Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 10 70-100
Exchange. New York and London, 60 days' sight \$4.33 1/2
Exchange New York and London, sight \$4.36 1/2

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Sugar, Demerara Crystals, per cwt. 42s. 0d.—44s. 0d.
" Muscavado per cwt. 32s.—37s.
German Beet 88° f.o.b. no sales.
Whit Sugar cif United Kingdom 19s. 3d.
Demerara Rum, per gal. nominal.
Trinidad Cocoa, Good Middling Red per cwt. 69s. 70d
Cotton, good Medium West Indian Sea Island per lb. 26d. nominal.
Bank of England rate of Discount per cent. 4 1/2.