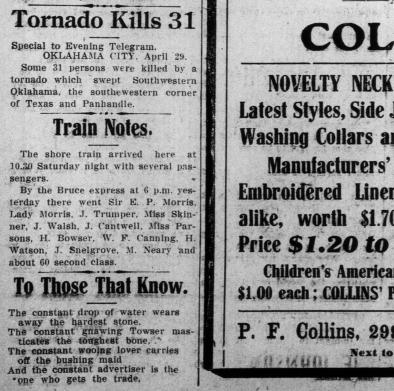


ports. One thought strikes me in conis and a contingent of Gendarmes, two nection with this Agricultural Socompanies of Republican Guards, and ciety, and that is, that they have bea company of engineers. Ten thousgun at the wrong end. To my mind and spectators viewed the battle from the obtaining of first class seeds and points of vantage. blooded stock should not be made the



Special to Evening Telegram. LIVERPOOL, To-Day.

The Liverpool branch of the Seamen's and Firemen's Union has adopted a resolution that on and after April 29th men will refuse to sail on any steamer unless representatives of the Union are allowed to inspect the lifeboats. The Union also demands that seamen's wages be increased to four pounds ten shillings (approximately \$22), and firemen's wages to five pounds a month.



basis on which to rear a sound and The spending of money on choice healthy advancement of farming: that seeds and fertilizers and animals is should follow knowledge, and would to a great extent a waste of money surely follow it as spring follows win-Of course the idea of beginning quietter. Of course it is wise to procure the ly and advancing surely does not ap best seeds, but it does not follow that peal to Sir Edward Morris; it would because you have good seeds you are not attract so much attention. Just going to have a good crop. If I were as Sir Robert Bond's sensible though to choose between seeds and know-**OPENING BARGAINS COLLINS'**

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end, one has but to read the report do you suppose Farmer Slack wil of last week's meeting. Under the keep up the standard? In his care heading of fertilizers we find this the best of stock soon becomes scrub. statement: "Several members who So I say the advancement of agriculbought some of Mr. Clouston's fish-

ture in this country has begun at the fertilizer last year found it of good value." The same was said of fertilizers supplied by Mr. Colin Campbell. There is an instance of rule of flumb method. Why are not the an alysis of those fertilizers given s

that there should be no guessing as to their value? Fertilizers should be of definite chemical composition, and to make intelligent use of them the farmer should know of what elements they are composed, and how those elements are made to furnish the desired plant food We notice that the "Society is disposed to favor local

> made fertilizer, and there is so much limestone, phosphate rock, silica. magnesia, potash, etc., the industry should prove a profitable one." Silica exists as quartz, quartz-sand, as silicates, etc., but what value silica has as a fertilizer I am at a loss to know Fancy a farmer manuring his field with sand or broken quartz. Manganese has no value as a fertilizer as far as I am aware. As for potash it is not readily available in this country, it does not exist in the free state. but combined with other bases, as in feldspars and could not be profitably extracted. Limestone and phosphate rock have some value, but limestone if applied injudicious and without due knowledge as to its effects, is bound to-work the ruination of the farm There is too much talk of limestone

by the Society. One gentleman, just returned from England, advocates the use of ground limstone, instead of lime, and says one half ton of the former is worth more than two tons of the latter. More rule of thumb, for why he consideres a half ton o limestone as good as two tons lime I cannot see. Limestone is es sentially calcium carbonate, that ' calcium, carbon and oxygen in com bination. In burning it gives up its carbon and is reduced to calcium ox-

ide or calcium and oxygen. It has

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ceeding Capt. Peters who is now in the has been done with old seals on command of the Sicilian. Capt. the front and that the other ships Milne is succeeded by Mr. John Mc- now out will be home shortly. The Donald as chief officer. Purser Diana is discharging her scals at Robert Mitchell, late of the Cartha- Bowrings' Southside premises.

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