### WORK FOR YANKEE LAWYERS

Appear in English Prize Courts in Interests of Clients Who Have Claims to Press.

#### SOMETHING OF THE PRACTICE

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) LONDON, July 31 .- A day in the admiralty prize court these days is like bean American court, the prine docket being crowded with cases involving the seizure of American ships, with American attorneys and witnesses crowding the corridors and the court room, the attorney general, Sir Edward Carson, citing long lists of American cases and text books in support of his contentions. Even the lard chief justice of the prize court, Sir Samuel Evans, is asking questions about American clients, American customs and sharing the distinct American almosphere that pervades the court room

Here in detail is being rehearsed the hundreds of seigures of ships and cargoes rbich, besides their legal aspect, have in the aggregate developed the most serio olitical crisis existing between Great Britain and the United States. There have been upwards of 600 seigures and detentions of American ships, and the ber of cargoes involved is far larger. for each ship carries separate cargoes to different consignees. Many of the cases have been settled, but the large number still at issue have gone through the us process of prize court pleadings. and this month began to take their turn in being threshed out to a final decision before the court itself.

As to the Prize Court. The prize court is one of the labyrinth of buildings making that historic landmark known as the law courts, a massive of weather-beaten gray stone, housing all the high courts of England, with lowing instance in one of these prize the lord chief justice and the long train cases: def justice, an emblem of British naval

of the rows of solicitors and advocates, tention. ing the attorney general and the of the judge sit two officers of the royal entirely changing that law."

attorneys, in plain clothes ranks, leaning even now to learn much about. But it land, comprising Galicia and lower Silesta, but unable to accept their British brethren, fitted this particular case exactly. but unable to say a word, as British practice requires all the argument to be presented by officers of the court and British subjects. This has caused some little embarrasament at times when the reserved British barrister did not urge a point with that vehemence that seemed to be warranted by the American legal

Carson a Central Figure.

Edward Carson, the attorney general, is the central figure in these prize tion of Bulgaria, who is now in Berlin court cases. He is the famous flary Irishand has arranged here for a loan of man from Ulater who leaped into worldthe Ulster volunteers and dared the government to enforce home rule on Ulster. He won on that to the extent that home waiting, and now he is a ! newly formed coalition ministry. But trade with the outside world, but Dr. there has been nothing flery in his con-Stoyanoff attributes this not to any duct of the prize cases. He speaks without any oratorical effort, in a monotonous, but to the fact that Bulgaria is now hum-drum manner, all argument and no unable to find export markets. It cannot on the bench when the lord justice laughs many are closed through the Serbian and has a joke.

In the case of the ships Kim and Fridland, carrying American cargoes of rub- the Mediterranean, Bulgaria's only sea-ber, Sir Edward cited many American port, Dedeagatch, is closely blockaded

"But the next paragraph, which you have not read," said Sir Samuel from the bench, "turns the case against you."

The difference between the British and erican practice was shown when efforts were made to get a copy of the d brief and affidavit which Sir Edard Carson had been reading in open art. In American courts these printed of are open to anyone. But when apation was made to the clerks of the prise court they were scandalized at the request. Briefs, they explained, were ngidly secret, never going beyond the solicitors, who guarded them as a matter of professional ethics.

Resent Suggestion of Delay. The registry of the prize court is anendless bureaus, through which the Amercan attorneys wander in quest of various miches of their cases, always receiving of the order. the greatest courtesy, but always with the mass of tradition and conservatism against quick action. And yet the offi- and prepare instructions as to the pardisls resent any suggestion that there ticular classes anti quantities which must had been any delay in these prize cases, although the American litigants are smarting under what they claim is delay, their contents are heaped together unti-One of the chief officials, Mr. Lovell, the observer sees before him a veritab

register of admiralty, said: the prize court is concerned. Sir Samuel other employes with wooden shovels are Evans is sitting early and late. He is set to work blending the ten. Fifteen going to give up the usual summer recess or twenty men are engaged in the work. of the court which begins in August in which requires considerable skill. The order to dispose of these cases with the thoroughpens with which the blending greatest promptisess.

had most to do with these prize cases ally containing fifteen rounds each, and said it was manifestly impossible for the two of these time are put into a wooden political branch of the government, the care. crown, to hurry the legal branch, where the existing law had to be administered according to the existing customs. It would not be expected, for example, he said, thus the executive tunnch at Washmaton would try to hurry the United (Correspondence of the Associated Press. tales supreme court en political grounds at to any way conside the usual appli- To all errichen Cast Prinate to reconcallon for advancement, which after all signet and reliabilitate itself and recover was at the discretion of the court.

Order Fits the Case. who has had much to to with the prize divide up the district equally and assess thation tetween the American and Brit- over the appreachip of some given par ish courts, is the former in reality had of East Prising. to administer the existing law accord- A give on constating of the cities of the cities to existing fades, whereas in the Etherfield, Barrien, Solingen and Rein prise court the political branch, the sched, and the country districts of Lenguern, had such hower that it could nop and Metanana was given the spongers change existing law to meet new sorship for histographows, and was rates. This is done by the process of charged with raising hillop marks an "order-in-council". He cited the foll-rebuilding purposes

WELL-KNOWN MAN JOINS FAC- NEW PROBLEM FOR GERMAN ULTY UNIVERSITY OF OMAHA.



Rev. Henry W. Seibert. Ph.D.

of leaser dignitaries and the various At a decisive stage of the Wilhemens mis. The scene within the court as case the solicitors for the crown made the American cases are heard is one of the point that a neutral ship could be estive dignity. The chamber theelf requisitioned by one of the belligerents. a vast, box-like structure, with stone This was laughed at by the atterneys for of the allies in South Africa and the vaor and walls, great cathedral windows the American owners, who had Article m cific islands. But the latter are tropical ing the light dimly, and stained glass of the prize law before them, and were wrates weatly taken over for colonizaeiling seventy feet above. The only ready to go into court the next morning tion, whereas Mr. Dimowski shows that touch of brightness is the large gilded and laugh the crown solicitors out or anchor and chains hanging back of the court with their own law.

"The solicitors for the crown appear to have overlooked," they said 'n the prize Sir Samuel Evans, presiding judge, is court next day, "that Article 39 of the on a raised data ten feet above the level prize law is specific against their con-

"That was quite true up to 9 o'clock olicitor general, king's counselors and last night," came the quick reply from unior counselors-all of them, bench and the crown solicitors. "But the claimants bar, in wigs and gowns, giving an ap- appear to be unaware that at 9 o'clock pearance of deep solemnity. At the left last night an order-in-council was signed-

rehant marine, in full uniform, known | On inquiry, this proved to be the case as nautical experts. He consults them a special order-in-council had been made frequently on any technical question of -not the wholesale order-in-council dealnavigation or naval construction arising ing with contraband, growing out of the war gone-which had never appeared in Back of the lawyers are the American the official gazette and which is difficult

## Plenty of Money, But Currency Is Still at Discount

BERLIN, Aug. 31-Dr. T. Stoyanoff. director of the public debt administration of Bulgaria, who is now in Berlin banks, says that the Bulgarian National bank now has a larger gold stock than ever before. It amounts to \$12,000,000.

besides nearly \$5,000,000 in silver. The currency of the country, however, member of the government, one of the is at a discount of about 25 per cent in unsound financial or banking conditions, He appears to have little sell its agricultural products abroad, besor, for he looks blankly at Sir Samuel cause the markets of Austria and Gerblockade of the Danube in one direction, while in the other, namely, by way of precodents. One of them was from - of the precodents of the Bermuda, the country will have about 50,000 tons (Mailace, 555, the case of the Bermuda, the country will have about source for export and about contention, and then paused with some 200,000 tons of Indian corn. Dr. Stoy-contention, and then paused with some 200,000 tons of Indian corn. Dr. Stoy-contention, and then paused with some 200,000 tons of Indian corn. Dr. Stoy-contention, and then paused with some 200,000 tons of Indian corn.

#### LARGE QUANTITIES OF TEA ARE STORED IN LONDON

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) conded warehouse stock in the United om, la stored in the Port of London's Cutler street warehouse, awaiting the orders of the war office. It is intended for the supply of the British forces at home and abroad. The bulk of it has come from India and Ceylon. About twice a week orders are received for the dispatch of certain specified quantities, according to an approved sample suplied by the war office. Fifty thousand not nds is about the usual six

As soon as the order is received the warehouse officials analyze the samples be blended to produce the required bulk Theats are opened by the hundred and mountain of tea. While men known as There is absolutely no delay so far as feeders continue to add to the head is done is ascertained by expert "tasters. One of the British officials who has The tea is put up in stout the gene

> REBUILDING WORK IS ON NOW IN EAST PRUSSIA

ELBERFELD, East Prussia, July 31. from the effects of two Russian in vasions representatives of the municipatities in the general district of Dues-Answering this an American official, soldorf, at a recent meeting, agreed to

Plans for Amalgamating the Different Factions of Poland Being Worked Out.

MUCH INTEREST DISPLAYED

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.) through Russian Poland, which at first centered attention on the brilliancy of the military movement, is now being brought about, territorial, economic and the writings of R. Dmowski, for many the Polisi element. While a member of the Duma Mr. Dmowski has been a scvers critic of the Russian regime, so that his view of conditions has the apparent merit of being independent while at the same time it comes from one intimately familiar with the country which the Germans have new overrun. Some of the more striking changes resulting from the German occupation are these:

The three branches of Poland new united under German authority-German Poland, Austrian Poland and Russian Poland-have a population that gives Poland sixth place, in point of rank, among the powers of Europe. It comes next to Italy, and exceeds in numbers all the Halkan states put together-Bulgaria, Serbia, Greece and Roumania; exceeds also all the Scandinavian and Dutch countries united-Norway, Sweden, Denmark and Holland, and exceeds two of (Correspondence of the Associated Press.) time among Russia, Germany and Aug-

Some Comparisons Made Some of the British observers compare Poland is one of the most densely inhabited sections of Europe, averaging thirty-five persons to the square silometer, or more than the thickly populated districts of France. It is also one of the richest sections of Russia, with extensive banking, industrial and commercial organizations, coal mines and agriculture, largely in the hands of the Polish inhabiven the policy of Rus landing the Polish districts, which has been car-

red on for some years, has not changed the character of the native people, which remains strongly Polish. The three parts of this extensive Polish region now brought together are: Prussian Poland, including the four provinces of Posen, west Prussia, cast Prussia and upper Sileata, with a population of 7,000,half are Poles; Russian Poland, including the province of Poland, with 11,500,000 population, chiefly Poles, and what are known as the annexed provinces of Kovne, Vilna, Gredne, Minsk, Mehilew and Vitebsk, having a conglomerate population of little and white Russians, Poles, Lithuanians and Ruthenians, These are the three great Polish branches

which are now wholly or largely under Awalting the Outcome. The regime which the Germans will set

sian Poland is with the keenest interest by the Pollsh element, as it will determine whether the policy will be to reconcile the Poles and bring the three branches together again. or to use this rich region for German colonization, gradually Germanizing it and extinguishing the separate Polish spirit. This latter has been the policy of Russia, and the difficulties it has had after years of effort indicates the difficulties ahead for the German regime,

whichever course it adopts. Mr. Dmowski sums up Poland's position under Russia as that of a military occupation, with all the administration at Warsaw and elsewhere carried on by Russian officials, the schools and universities conducted by Russian teachers and teaching the Russian language, the police entirely Russian, and the whole direction of affairs in Russian hands. And yet, he adds, after forty years of Russian effort Poland still remains distinctly Polish, with the great business institutions, commerce and agriculture car-

ried on by Poles. "It is exactly for this reason." Mr. Dmowski asserts, "that Poland is in one of the strangest positions that can be imagined; the state which possestes it LONDON, July 31.—Twenty million does not know what to do with it; it has bounds of tea, about one-fourth of the not found the means of transforming it into a Russian country, and it does not

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nan regime will have to deal with, and which the Russians have not been able to solve. As showing how Poland has succeeded in resisting Russianization, Mr. Driowaki cites the curious fact that while Russian officials controlled the election machinery, Polish votes sent solid Polish delegations to the Duroz. At one time, in the second Duma, they had forty-six votes and held almost a balance of power in passing the budget. In order to put a stop to such Polish authority, the number of delegates from viewed for the tremendous effects it has Poland was cut to twelve, a portion of them being elected to represent the whole political, in that locality. Polish quarters people and a portion representing the here have summed up some of these linesians. For example, the government changes, drawing their data largely from of Vilna elects five delegates for the whole population and two for the Rusyears the Warsaw member of the Rus- sian population, so that in the Duma sian Duma and the spokesman there for there are two sets of Polish delegates, one representing the whole people of Po land, with Mr. Dmowski for some years at the head of this delegation, and another set elected from the same places to represent the Russians.

These are the peculiar internal conditions which are now coming under Gerwan authority, at least during the millfary occupation, when it is expected that German civil regime will be set up in place of the Russian administration. And in view of Russia's experience, interest is centering on whether Germany will follow a similar course of Germanizing the Polish territory, or will seek to reconcile the Poles by bringing their three branches together under some form of autono

Postal Delivery Curtailed.

the next larger countries, Spain and LONDON, July 35-Shortages of men Portugal together. This does not refer has led the British postal authorities to to the area of recent military operations, take renewed steps to curtail the free but to the whole range of so-called Po-delivery service in various parts of the land as it has been divided up to this country. In the business section of London don, where twelve delivertes were formerly made, the number was cut to six at the beginning of the war, and will now be further reduced. In smaller cities the area of German occupation with that only three deliveries are now in opera-

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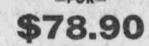
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