

only 53 are employed. I think myself if there is a department needing revision it is the Education Department; some teachers are poorly paid while the salaries of others are too high.

(To be continued.)

LOCAL

On Sunday evening the Friedenthal Moravian Church wound up its annual missionary festival with a public missionary meeting at 8 p. m. The Church was crowded with people of all denominations. The choir was at its best with its able organist Mr. S. A. Smith. The speakers were Revds. Christensen, Asboe and Bartels, Revd. Allen presided. Elloquent addresses were delivered by Revs. Asboe and Christensen. Rev. Allen gave the people to know of the removal of Rev. Bartels to a new mission field.

The farewell missionary address delivered by Rev. Bartels was of a different nature to those delivered by the previous speakers, it was an explanation of the discovery of a diary of the Emancipation in 1848 giving a full account of the riot which took place at that time for freedom. It proved to be very interesting for when we look at the moral improvement of the people of the island today we feel proud to look at the occurrence of 1848.

The sloop Mizpah will leave for St. Thomas at the usual time this afternoon.

The sloop Carib left yesterday afternoon for Porto Rico.

A correspondent writing from New York on the 3rd instant, says:

"I know you will feel happy in learning that your talented countryman, Bandmaster Alton Adams, U.S.N., had the honor of being guest conductor of the Goldman Concert Band—the official Band of New York, and comprised of the leading symphony Orchestra men and Souza's Band, Pryer etc., on 'The Mall' at Central Park on July 2nd. There was a gathering of over 40,000 and the applause given Bandmaster Adams was deafening. In front of this immense gathering Goldman—the great Goldman—styled our young countryman as 'a wonderful Musician.' I was proud to hear such an expression from a great man to a great gathering. The Bandmaster conducted the playing of one of his own compositions—the 'Virginia Islands March,' and at the end of it he was given a deafening applause and encored. The Goldman Band is made up of seventy-five artists including a harp.

I don't know how many of your countrymen were present, but it was a glorious moment for Mr. Adams. And now I have been set to thinking as to how long can St. Thomas hold our country-

man. It is too small, the world will soon demand him and if you had been on the edge of that big gathering on the 2nd of July and heard the comments and seen the reception given him you would come to the same conclusion—that he is for the world now.—*St. Thomas Bulletin, 12th July.*

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, July 17th.—The position of Senator Belcourt of Ottawa although armed with full credentials issued under a new order in council by the Canadian Government, as Minister Plenipotentiary in the inter-Allied Conference, is still undefined and the question of Canadian representation in these meetings still unsettled. There is a wide gulf of difference between the proposal, of the British Government and the suggestion of the Canadian Government, with the attitude and difficult situation of the French Premier as the real stumbling block. Canada insists that the Versailles precedent should be followed. Then each Dominion had its own representative at every session and Canada maintains that this is her right on this occasion as a sister nation within the British Empire. M. Herriot opposes this system on the grounds that the increased size of the empire delegation, thus constituted, will weaken his position at home and give ex Premier Poincare further opportunity to attack him and possibly to defeat him in the Chamber. In consideration of M. Herriot's position the Foreign Office wants the Dominions to be represented by a pannel system which will allow only one delegate from the Dominions to sit at each session, the idea being that each Dominion shall alternate in this representation.

London, July 17th.—The American army world fliers, who reached Croydon yesterday, hopped off this morning for Brough, near Hull, where the plane will rest for a week or ten days, while pontoons are being fitted in preparation for their jump to the Orkney Islands. Half a dozen English planes were in the air when the United States airmen took off and accompanied them part of the distance as a courtesy escort. The pilots of the round the world planes will remain in Brough about two days. They will then return to London while the machines are being overhauled. The mechanics will stay in Brough to supervise the renovation.

Standerton Transvaal, July 17th. Canadian Press. General Smuts addressing his constituents yesterday, said that while not wishing to minimize the importance of his party's defeat in the recent elections, he would point out that 153,000 votes were cast for the African, or Smuts party, 111,000 for the Nationalists and 42,000 for Labour, yet despite this the Nationalist Labour Party, had a majority of 28 seats in the House. The truest reflection of public

opinion was the number of votes cast for each party, said General Smuts, and the vote indicated that half of the South African Union still stood behind the South African Party. Moreover the Party had polled 13,330 more than in 1921 election.

Ottawa, July 17th.—A vote of \$56,000,000 to the Canadian National Railways and another \$900,000 to the Canadian Government Merchant Marine, to cover the year's bond commitments and deficits were passed by the House of Commons just before midnight, after several hours debate in which several progressive members criticized the Senate bitterly for throwing out some of the proposed branch lines on the National Railways.

Dublin, July 17th.—Eamonn De Valera released from a Free State prison camp yesterday, is expected by his followers to plunge immediately into electioneering. Three important bye elections are pending in which the insurgent leader is expected to participate. Upon his release De Valera was silent as to his plans, saying he might have something to offer later. He walked about Dublin, visiting friends and would visit his wife and children. There were bonfires and demonstrations in different parts in the South last night, indicating that De Valera still commands the attention of several followers. Telegrams of congratulations poured in upon the insurgent chief at his Dublin residence.

London, July 17th.—The Experts Plan for a reparation deal, intended to be devoid of sentiment and political nationalistic feeling, is going through the most critical period of its existence under the scrutiny of the experts who spent the second day of the inter Allied Conference at work in the committee rooms in the Downing Street. Tonight it was authoritatively stated that the Prime Ministers of Great Britain, France and Belgium were highly satisfied with the progress made. The British were said to be particularly pleased because of deliberations are keeping close to the purpose for which the conference assembled, that of adopting broad, sweeping measures for making the experts scheme workable.

London, July 18th.—The Government was defeated in the House of Commons today, 171 to 149, on a vote on a proposed amendment to the Unemployment Insurance Bill. The defeat was due to many Liberals voting against the Government. The Government's reversal is not considered important and there is no question of the Prime Minister's resigning.

Tokio, July 18th.—Major MacLaren, missing British world flyer, was found today safe on Urupu Island in the Kuriles Group, north of Japan. The aviator had covered about half the distance from Hokkaido to Paramushiru Island when forced down.