

Publication.

It is hereby brought to public notice that the Government has, this date, authorized Rev. WALDEMAR IVAN RUTAN to perform civil-religious functions in the Municipality of St. Croix.

Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States, St. Thomas 8 July 1920.

C. C. TIMMONS.
Government Secretary.

PURSUANT to Ordinance of August 19th 1874 it is hereby made known that I have received announcement from Mr. Robert L. Merwin, of Frederiksted, who is doing business under the Firm name of Robert L. Merwin & Co., that during his temporary absence from the Island he has appointed his son Mr. Miles Merwin of Frederiksted to act as his Attorney.

The Police Office, Frederiksted, St. Croix, July 9th 1920.

WILH. JENSEN.

ROOMS TO LET

at MRS. VIGO SHELE'S Property No. 17 King's Street, Christiansted.

APARTMENTS ON TOP-FLOOR.
1 Bedroom, Large Parlor, Dining Room, Pantry—including facility of rain and well water.

LOCAL.

The Communal School building in this town is undergoing repairs and changes during the present summer vacation. The stairways of which there were two inside the building, one at the north leading to the second floor, and another to the south connecting the second and third floors, are being transferred to the gallery in the street where it is believed they will prove more convenient, while affording additional room within the building.

The schooner Vigilant sailed from here on Saturday night last for Fajardo, P. R., with a cargo of 43 head of live cattle from different estates here.

showers of rain fell Saturday making the third appreciable a few days.

the price of cattle is somewhat in Porto Rico and as 24 cents (American money) is paid per pound on the hoof, cattle in this island have naturally advanced and depreciated considerably the prolonged drought which is instrumental in the killing off

of no small number of young and old stock. Just on Saturday there was a tolerably young bull brought in to the butcher and taken to the club yard to be weighed; the poor animal didn't have strength enough to stand on its legs and collapsed on the scale where it remained for a long time until eventually shoved up and hustled off in a cart in none of the gentlest fashion. Meanwhile it lay on the ground fowls and a turkey assembled and had a hearty feast on the ticks which clung to the unfortunate beast and doubtless helped to suck the few drops of life blood that supported its existence. Thank goodness we have now had some rain and there are prospects of some amelioration of this horrid condition aggravated by the dry weather.

Patrons of the theatre and all who enjoy the movies are encouraged to see the new serial, the second instalment of which will be presented at the Christiansted Theatre this evening. This is a film full of pep and so varied in its attractiveness as to furnish entertainment to everybody.

It is requested to announce that reply coupons can be obtained at the local post office. The reply coupon costs 6 cents and is exchangeable at international post offices, of countries which have adopted the arrangement, for ordinary postage stamps to the value of 25 centimes, 5 cents. It will be found convenient to use when it is desired to prepay reply postage from, or remit trifling amounts to, international points. It is not contemplated to use the reply coupon within the United States where regular postage stamps will, of course, serve the purpose, and prove cheaper.

The St. Thomas, Porto Rico and New York mails, a full truck load, arrived here at 8.45 Saturday evening and were distributed to the public the same night, and Sunday morning, the post office being opened for an hour on each occasion.

The tug Jorge Bird Leon arrived here yesterday afternoon for another cargo of live cattle to Porto Rico.

We welcome back to St. Croix, Revd. J. R. Mayhew, superintendent of the Bible Home and Foreign Missionary Society, who returned by the Guiana Saturday morning last, after an absence of several months in Barbados and other islands. All who have been needing optical attention will be glad to learn of the Dr's. return.

Frederiksted, July 10th. 1920.

The S. S. "Guiana" from Windward Islands arrived this morning at daybreak bringing the following passengers:

From St. Kitts: Mr. H. E. Bowen, Mr. M. K. Armstrong, Mary Nesbit and child, Olga Warner. Gladys Audain. Cla-

rice Gordon and daughter, Beatrice Maysey, Mary Smith and child, Mary Barnes, Martha Barnes, Georgiana Taylor and child. From Antigua: Mr. Geo. H. Nesbitt, Miss O. Abramson, Miss K. Samuel, Miss I. Tuitt, Miss A. Whitehead, Mrs. F. Latimer and child.

From Guadeloupe: Mr. M. Claret, Mr. W. Greaud, Mr. L. Questel, Mr. D. Mostachi, Mr. V. Dormont.

From Barbados: Mr. & Mrs. Leevy and granddaughter, Mrs. Grant, Revd. J. Mayhew, Miss V. Kelly, Mr. P. Gordon, Miss V. Simmonds.

The "Guiana" is taking sugar for New York from La Grange and expects to sail tonight.

Correspondence.

Christiansted, St. Croix, V.I.
10th July 1920.

To the Editor of the St. Croix Avis.

Dear Mr. Editor:

Can you tell me when the steeple clock will be put in working order and the public afforded a convenience to which we have been accustomed for a century or more? Some time ago you reported the arrival of the new works and since then no more has been heard about putting them up. The other day some workmen were said to be engaged on the job, but—

Yours

MACHINIST.

The arrival of the town clock was mentioned in our news column as any other event would be; the editor of this paper is neither the public works officer nor any of those upon whom the responsibility for erecting the clock devolves. We, too, would like to see the town clock more provided with a public time-piece, but are absolutely unprepared to furnish information in this connection. [Ed. Avis.]

TELEGRAMS

ST. CROIX STATION.

Ottawa, July 7th.—The resignation of Sir Robert Borden as Prime Minister will take effect on Saturday. He will be succeeded by Hon. Arthur Meighen, Minister of the Interior, who has undertaken the formation of a new administration.

Warsaw, July 9th.—The Foreign Office today announced that the Polish Govt. has forwarded a note to the conference at Spa declaring that Poland is now just as before and always ready and willing to make peace based upon the principle of self-determination of nations.

Copenhagen, July 9th.—The Letts have gone to the assistance of the Poles around Lvinsk, according to the Kovno correspondent of the Berlinske Tidende. The Poles requested the Letts to take war material, which the Poles were unable to move in their retreat. The