

NOTICE.

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE
OF SOPHUS EMIL GOTTFRED
SCHJANG, DECEASED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator of the above-entitled estate. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same, with necessary proof, at his office No. 7/8 King Street in the town of Christiansted, within 6 months from the date of this notice.

Christiansted, St. Croix, this 12th day of September 1921.

A. E. STAKEMANN,
Administrator.

NOTICE.

IN THE MATTER OF THE JOINT ESTATE OF CHRISTIAN RANTZAU JACOBS, DECEASED, AND SURVIVING WIDOW GEORGE ANNE MARY JACOBS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed administrator cum testamento annexo of the above entitled estate.

All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present same, with necessary proof, at his office at No. 7/8 King Street in Christiansted, within six months from the date of this notice.

Christiansted, St. Croix, this 12th day of September 1921.

A. E. STAKEMANN,
Administrator.

LOCAL.

The Mystery is here to say with New York and other mail. She left St. Thomas at noon yesterday for Christiansted, but touched at Frederiksted where communication with the shore was impossible through the rough sea. She will be given an early dispatch with outgoing mail.

Correspondence

....LET US REASON TOGETHER....

Isaiah Ch: 1—V. 14

To the Editor "The Avis".

Dear Sir:—

Man may also reason with his fellowman, although the text above refers to the Maker reasoning with Man.

Reason is a rational faculty granted to man by a Benevolent Creator, whereby

the exercise of sound judgment, harmonizing with, and operating for, an ultimate end or design, will, between man and man lay the foundation of, and eventually result in, effectually bringing about peaceful solutions of difficult and intricate problems.

This correspondence is particularly addressed to those of advanced reasoning powers. The situation to which it refers need hardly be more definitely explained. At the very outset no difficulty exists whereby one may say that he sees not the reference. We have before us the all-absorbing, the pressing, the urgent topic of the day. A matter which though at first may be considered as only affecting the working or laboring class, yet in its application generally, concerns the welfare of the whole Island. Seriously, what is to become of the business; the agricultural, commercial and therefore financial health and prosperity of St. Croix; if the only industry and support of its population remains in its present paralytic state for a few more weeks? With an already very scanty rainfall, our cane crop is far below the customary promise at this time of the year; and lacking the attention necessary; of what use would be even a sudden blessing of rain upon the already suffering growth? Of course those, whose hand-work we are deploring are (the bulk I mean) not of the kind, nor of the will to take the situation depicted in the foregoing opening; but surely there are to be found, a few of the right sort, who, imbued with a knowledge of the gravity of the situation, and inspired with a desire to "reason together" with others representing the other side (there need not be more than two or three on each side) may, can, and will calmly review, peacefully argue out, and ultimately arrive at some definite, reasonable and agreeable conclusion, whereby an industrial catastrophe may be averted. While at this point, a hint from an interested, though not a vitally-concerned friend, it is hoped will not be taken amiss or unkindly:—The basic objection to paying, or the primary cause why the land owner will not pay longer, the price of one dollar per day to 1st class laborers, —is the very large decrease in the Sugar value in the world-markets, and the inability of Factories to pay only about one half of the cane price now, of what the said price was when the advance of wages was made from fifty cents to that one dollar. In most cases, the laborer understands the logic of the foregoing argument. But there seems to be a secret, a kind of misgiving upon which there lies the difficulty of forcing an agreeable smile on his face.

Quashie has the belief that the Sugar price will rise again and that after the Planter gets him at the fifty cents per day, he will and must remain there, and moreover and above all he will have to

claim nor share in the pool from an advanced and rising sugar-price. That is just where the shoe pinches, and after all it is only reasonable to meet him, and he will be satisfied if he is only met half way.

The old and very solid saying is, "The hope of reward sweetens labor"—Man under all conditions and circumstances is man still, and if he sweats for the benefit of his brother-man; promise him a taste of that benefit, and the reciprocal feeling with which he will toil, will astonish and subdue you, until you awaken to the cause, namely, "the hope of reward."

Suppose f.i. that it be suggested to pay a stipulated and fixed wage of fifty cents for 1st class laborers, others in due proportion, but with the understanding duly agreed to that, for one year, as a trial experiment, whatever amount sugar be sold for in excess of the value today—the laborer shall be paid a certain per cent of that excess regulated proportionately as to the class of laborers—but of course consideration being also made should the price drop anything below a certain reasonable allowance—some little trouble must necessarily be caused by intricate calculations connected with such a plan, but a possibly easy solution on that basis may render an at-present dissatisfactory and unpleasant situation much more safe and agreeable, and cause quiet and a sense of goodwill to prevail among all classes in this of late rather disturbed community.

The Divine promise is that, "Where two or three are gathered together in His name there will He be, to bless". If I may presume, (not to dictate, but to suggest) that observance and regard being strictly made at our Colonial Council meetings for Invocation—the same might be also duly regarded at a meeting for the consideration and settlement of such a grave and important subject, and why not beg all the Ministers, (they represent all the classes) to intervene?

Yours faithfully

REVIEWER.

Csted. Sept. 12-21.

Christiansted, Sept. 12th 1921.

The Editor of the St. Croix Avis.

Dear Sir:—

Herewith I enclose copy of St. Croix Avis of August 16th. 1867, containing a letter from Dr. B. Knudsen.

I feel certain it will be read with much interest by all your readers, Dr. Knudsen was esteemed a clever physician in those days.

I well remember Honey being largely used as a household remedy for sore throat, and heavy cold on the chest etc.

The efficacy of the cure is in using the proper quantity, i.e., not less than 1 pound per day. There are other troubles, that the Honey Cure could be ad-