

dispatched to producers by wireless, thus enabling the buyers to receive an answer the same day.

If the undertaking is successful, as it is confidently expected, it will be, another, floating fair will be sent to North America, another to Brazil, Uruguay and Argentina, and a third one to the Antilles, Venezuela, Peru and Chili.—*St. Thomas Mail Notes, July 26th.*

TROUBLE ABOARD THE AMERICAN S. S. "CONNERSVILLE" — BRUTAL ASSAULTS,—ONE WITH INTENT TO KILL.

In connection with the labor trouble at the docks of the West Indian Company, Ltd. during the coaling of the American s. s. "Connerville", we have obtained the following: With the intension of eliminating, as much as possible, the acute ness of the rivalry existing between the Virgin Islands Federation of Labor and the St. Thomas Labour Union, arrangements had previously been tried to get the members of the two rival factions to work in harmony, but without results. With the arrival of the "Connerville", however, arrangements to get the two parties to work together had so far succeeded, that the members of the two organizations were employed in bunkering the steamer. The members of the latter organization, however, feeling their superiority over their rivals, in the manipulation of the task assigned them, through their practical ability, became dissatisfied with the monetary arrangements made—a half-and-half basis—and struck. Their female co-workers were not slow in showing their sympathy for the strikers, the majority of them going likewise "on strike."

Some of the officers—male and female—of the two societies having been informed of the trouble, were soon on the spot.

During the crisis that developed, one Joe Wenner, a barber, and a member of the Federation of Labor, had a decidedly hard time of it, when he was assaulted by members of the rival gang with knives, sticks, shovels and even lumps of coal, sustaining some injury, and but for the timely assistance rendered him, there is no doubt, but that he would have been "a dead goose."

Wenner whom as we have already stated follows the tonsorial art, had accompanied, rather reluctantly, a friend out to the scene of the disturbance. Hearing one of the labourers using rather vile language, he had remonstrated with him upon his indecent conduct, even reminding him of his advanced age in life. Instead of mollifying the culprit, this reprimand only incited him the more, and he began to say what were the intentions of himself and the colleagues, towards Wenner and his associates. Words passed, and an attack followed, against which Wenner defend-

ed himself. Other assailants came on, one man using a stick with a knife at the end, which stick Wenner was able to wrench out of the hand of his assailant.

But others were pressing on. Another "hero" with flashing eye and uplifted shovel raised edgewise, sprang forward, breathing threats, and took aim at the victim. But someone standing near, seeing the cowardly attack, struck the uplifted arm, so that the shovel, losing its equipoise, struck the victim flatly, though, nevertheless, squarely. Had that shovel fallen otherwise, there can be no doubt, but that the victim would have immediately perished, or been disfigured for life.

Complaints by several of the members of the rival factions against each other were handed in at the Police Office the next day. Hearings of the case having been set for Monday morning at 10 o'clock, the Courthouse and its surroundings were literally packed with the followers of the two organizations, eager to hear the case. Precisely at 10 a. m. the court was called, Judge Chr. Payne presiding.

So complete and convincing was the evidence against the members of the Labour Union Association, however, that three of their members—John Lewis, Luke Jacobs and Prince King with whom the fight originated—were held in bail of \$300 and \$100 each respectively, for assault and battery. From the evidence adduced, it was proven that the offense of the first was with "intent to kill." In looking up the Police records, those of this man were found to be none "too sweet."

The bail required has been furnished by the Union. The case is still pending. Again this morning, court was held, the proceedings of which were listened to by eager and excited partisans.—*St. Thomas Mail Notes, July 27th.*

There was a sharp shock of earthquake this morning at 6.05.—*Ibid.*

AUCTION.

MONDAY

the 2nd of August a. c.

AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Will be offered for sale at public auction, to be held in the Police-Stable-Yard Christiansted

ONE DONKEY

taken up (empounded) on Estate Orange Grove Land.

Christiansted Police Office, July the 28th 1920.

WILH. JENSEN.

ALL Customers who so kindly patronized the Branch Store of HENRY CREQUE are thus informed that after July 31st this Branch Store closes its Business in St. Croix. The "Manager" thanks all customers for their kind patronage of the past 20 years and make it known that at Creque's Department Store in St. Thomas, she will be there to serve the every day Customers and with a thought for St. Croix.

Drop a card and have your requirements filled.

SARAH E. PERCY,
Creque's Store.

Christiansted St. Croix, July 29th 1920.

NOTICE.

THE heirs of the deceased WILLIAM F. HENRY, Joiner of Christiansted, St. Croix, who died here in November month 1918, and of his previously deceased wife, are hereby notified to report to the undersigned Dealing Court within 1 year and six weeks, and there to establish their rights as heirs.

Christiansted's Dealing Court, St. Croix, July 21st 1920.

WILH. JENSEN.

AUCTION.

AT the request of Christiansted's Dealing Court as administering the estate of the deceased SARAH GRIFFITH will be offered for sale at a public auction to be held at the undersigned Vendue Office on

Tuesday the 10th of August 1920

AT 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

the Property belonging to said estate known as

No. 20 Letter A. In Hospital Street In The Town Of Christiansted.

Conditions for the sale, appraisement, mortgage-certificates and other papers relating to the sale will be filed at the auction and many previously be inspected at Lawyer Stakemann's Office in Christiansted.

This notice also serves as information to mortgageholders and others interested in the property in accordance with Ordinance 26th October 1906, which ordinance pursuant to its § 4 replaces the publication enjoined by Placard of 22nd April 1817 § 3.

Christiansted's Vendue Office, St. Croix, July 21st 1920.

WILH. JENSEN.