is a civil contract which can be effected through the law or the church according to the choice of the contracting parties, and I hold that the delusion circulating to the effect that marriage is a sacrament is something *new* as far as the Protestant Episcopal Church of the United States is concerned. The contention so far advanced in the newspaper, and spoken about, by those in favor of the absurd notion occasioning this discussion is herewith thrown out as illogical and empty, and its supporters are challenged to disprove my deductions as set forth herein. As a matter of fact, the church's stand as presented by A. T. and clique, appears to be in direct opposition to the law, and savours of bolshevism or revolutionary ideas, to say the least.

We would like to hear from A. T. or anyone else of his views, and would appreciate their advancing their opinion about the validity of marriages as performed by the law, and whether such are deemed null and void by *their* church.

Fraternally
FOLLOWER
*Protestant Episcopal Church of U. S.*

## Little Johnny's Slate.

April 13, 1920.

Dear Mr. Yohansen:-

All I can find to say on marriage is a little peace copied from a book Daddy was looking through after reading A. T.'S letter and forgot on the table. The book says:

"The law of the church has created neither the purity nor the peace of domestic life. Back of all churches is human affection. Back of all theologies is the love of the human heart. Back of all your priests and creeds is the adoration of the one woman by the one man, and of the one man by the one woman. Back of your faith is the fireside; back of your folly is the family; and back of all your holy mistakes and your sacred absurdities is the love of husband and wife, or parent and child".

Yours truly
JOHNNIE IGNATZ.

## THE CHRISTIANSTED THEATRE.

We would like to know what is the reason for stretching wires across the door on the left side of the Theatre, when the one on the opposite side is left free to the patrons over that way? If the manager is afraid that some persons may get in without paying the admission fees, then station guards at the entrances, or place the wires on a swinging door that can be opened and closed, by some one in authority, but don't cut off one of the means of escape in the event of an accident as one can never know where danger lurks in a Theatre. While we are confident that Mr. Svendsen is trying his best to accomodate his patrons we at the same time feel sure that there can be no harm in calling his attention to this fact, as Theatres can never have too many exits.

On Monday evening when the show was over we could not help noticing the ease with which the audience on the right side of the Theatre found their way out, while the unfortunate ones on the left side had to content themselves with the main exit, having no side door to go through, on account of the wires put there of late. We hope that this matter will soon be looked after to the satisfaction of all concerned. In closing we beg to congratulate the manager for the excellent pictures that are now being shown to the public, and wish the Theatre all success in the future.

PATRONS OF THE THEATRE.

We learn that some one with a "Brace and Bit"(?) effected an entrance to the Grocery of Mr. Chr. Jacobs on Saturday night and carried off hams, and other articles to the amount of about $20.00.

On Tuesday last when we came to open our establishment we found several holes in our door; upon investigating the matter we found that an entrance had been made and that two holes were bored in the partition door in an attempt to enter Mr. Ovesen's Store, which, however, proved a failure. A little further investigation proved that an entrance was made to the Vulcanizing Plant and a tire carried off; so far this and a knife from the W. E. N. office was the only loss sustained.

Everyone should make it a rule to have their doors securely hooked top and bottom, in order to combat this skilful thief.

Still at the same times when it comes to boring holes, not even the locks on our doors could be considered secure "It is real beaver-like work and it appears to be the work of a good workman in the carpenter's line.—*West End News. April 13th.*

## TELEGRAMS

ST. CROIX STATION.

Delayed In Transmission.

Washington, April 2nd.—The rejection by Poland of the Bolsheviki proposal for an armistice is considered by the Polish officials here as indicating that the Polish General Staff is confident of its ability to withstand the Russian attacks.

Washington, April 2nd.- A conference of coastwis shipping interests and longshoremen, which was convened at the department of labour today in an attempt at the settlement of strikes at the Atlantic and Gulf ports, dissolved later in the day without having reached an agreement. Mr. Post, Assistant Secretary of the Labour Dept., said he saw no hope of bringing the two sides together and could see no other conclusion than to declare the conference dissolved. The employees, he said, were unwilling to recede from their demand for an increase of wages, and the employers refused to grant an increase at present, because they were already losing money and could not add to their deficit.

Copenhagen, April 2nd.—According to "Politiken", the Danish Minister to Great Britain, Hr. Grevenkop Castenskjol, has decided to accept the portfolio of Foreign Minister in the Liebe Cabinet.

Warsaw, April 3rd.—The Bolsheviki forces launched attacks yesterday on both sides of the river Dvina, apparently in beginning their threatened drive on the northern front, designed to carry them in the direction of Vilna. They attacked the Polish lines in the region of Lepel, east of Vilna and north of Borisov on Thursday, but were repulsed.

London, April 3rd.—Armed troops were on duty along all the roads leading to Londonderry last night and motor-cars were minutely searched, their drivers having to produce their permits and declare their business, says a Central News despatch from Dublin. It is believed that this military activity has something to do with rumours of an Easter uprising.

Sandiego, California, April 3rd.—The announcement that the Prince of Wales who is expected to arrive here next Wednesday, will deliver a public address here, was contained in wireless advices received yesterday from the commander of the battle-cruiser "Renown." The Prince will be met on his arrival here by a committee including Mr. Robert Bliss, representing President Wilson, Governor Stephenson of California and Mr. Wilde, Major of Sandiego. The party will go to the dreadnought "New Mexico", the flagship of Admiral Rodman, for luncheon, and after a short sight-seeing trip the Prince will proceed to the stadium. The evening programme includes an informal dinner given by the Mayor at the hotel Del Coronado.

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Flour, Blended Clear St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. $12.00
Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs $4.20
New Season's Pork per brl. $43.00
Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. $43.00
Sugar---Crystals maximum per 100 lbs $15.80.
Molasses Sugar 89° test, no quotation.
Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 27 76--100d.
Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight $3.92¼
Exchange New York and London, sight $3.96½

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Sugar-Demerara Crystals, (free of Government control) duty paid per cwt. 100s. 0d. nomnial
Sugar Muscovado, (free of Govt. control) duty paid per cwt. 90s. 0d. nominal