

Publication.

PURSUANT to order from the Government the Tax Commission for St. Croix will meet on the undermentioned days to receive information in writing relating to the taxes for the present year:

For the Town of Christiansted:

at the Government Secretary's Office at 10 o'clock a. m. viz:

WEDNESDAY December 10th for the inhabitants of King's, Company, Queen's Strand, North and West Streets, also Western Suburbs.

THURSDAY December 11th for the inhabitants of Smith, Western and Ulke Lane, Watergut, Market and Prince's Streets, King's and Queen's Cross Streets, Church, Hospital and Green Streets and the Eastern Suburbs.

FRIDAY December 12th for the inhabitants of Hill, East, Lagoon Little Hospital, New and Fisher Streets.

For the Country.

SATURDAY December 13th, for the inhabitants in both East End Quarters at the Stock Estate Sally's Fancy at 11 o'clock a. m.

TUESDAY December 16th for the inhabitants in Company's Quarter at the Agricultural Experiment Station at Estate Anna's Hope at 11 o'clock a. m.

WEDNESDAY December 17th for the inhabitants in Queen's King's and Northside Quarter Ltr. B. at the Station at Kingshill at 10 o'clock a. m.

FRIDAY December 19th for the inhabitants in Prince's Quarter in the School at Estate Diamond at 2 o'clock p. m., not 12 o'clock noon.

MONDAY December 22nd for the inhabitants in West End Quarter and Northside Quarter Ltr. A. at the Police Office in Frederiksted, at 10 o'clock a. m.

For the Town of Frederiksted:

same day for the inhabitants of Strand, King's and Queen's Streets.

TUESDAY December 23rd for the inhabitants of Prince's, Hospital and New Streets, King's Cross Street, Market, Hill and Lagoon Streets, all at the said Police Office at 10 o'clock a. m.

Owners of estates are to specify in writing the exact number of acres in sugar cultivation, in cotton cultivation, in other cultivation and in pasture. Also information concerning the buildings on the estate and the appropriation thereof, especially if there are rooms rented to other than laborers permanently employed, and the length and width of said rooms and the rental thereof.

If any portion of the land is considered to be useless, and yields no revenue to the owner, the number of acres of such portion must be stated in the taxlist and a certificate on oath issued by the proprietor and two Burghers residing in the quarter, and furthermore attested

by the Quarter Officer, and delivered to the Commission.

Owners of empty lots in town are requested to fill out the taxlists accurately giving the information desired in order that it may be ascertained if any new buildings have been erected on the property during the year, also stating the time when such buildings were first occupied.

In order that reduction can be obtained in the taxes for dwelling houses, warehouses and sheds, which have been unoccupied for two months and upwards, the Commission would particularly draw the attention of those parties desiring reduction that it is very necessary in such cases that certificates to that effect be produced stating that the houses, sheds etc. have been vacant during said period.

IT MUST BE SPECIALLY OBSERVED:

Persons neglecting to procure the information and proof described by the regulation in the above shape, time and place must ascribe to their own neglect all losses resulting therefrom.

As several planters in the last years have neglected to meet at the fixed time and place to deliver their taxlists, the Commission begs to announce that taxlists will not be received for any quarter, at any other time or place than above stated. In case persons neglect to deliver a taxlist for any estate in due time, the Commission will before closing the meeting assess the tax for said estate according to the best of its knowledge. Taxlists which are forwarded later to the Commission, will, together with a list of those estates that have omitted to send in their taxlists, be transmitted to the Government in order that other measures be taken.

Blanks for taxlists will be distributed some days previous to the meeting of the Tax Commission and are required to be accurately filled out by the parties concerned, and delivered to the Commission on the day which is fixed for each street in the town and each quarter in the country.

Tax Commission for St. Croix, November 25, 1919.

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Considerable perplexity exists in mercantile circles here as a result of certain prices of foodstuffs as fixed by the Food Commission being declared by grocers as so low that no margin of profit is left them, and following which many gro-

ceries were closed since early yesterday, such action having been decided upon at a meeting held Sunday night. Representation has been made to the Governor looking toward a readjustment of prices etc., and it is hoped that prompt relief of the situation will be forthcoming and places of business may resume trade even if the sale of special commodities be temporarily suspended pending establishment of suitable prices. The Danish American Grocery, Canegata's, Treque's and one or two other stores have not closed.

The mail-schooner Creola sailed with mails and passengers for St. Thomas at 2 p. m. yesterday.

The theatre was patronized by a fair audience last night, and the serial and other pictures exhibited were satisfactory.

The s. s. Guiana from New York is looked for tomorrow.

A shipment of cattle was made to Fajardo, P. R. yesterday by Mr. Matta, the Vigilant taking 42 head and the sloop Eva 7, and 12 hogs.

Frederiksted, Nov. 24th 1919.

The mail schooner "Virginia" arrived here from Porto Rico via St. Thomas on Friday night, with 62 packages general cargo and the following passengers:—

From Porto Rico: Joseph W. Daily.
From St. Thomas:—Wilmot Bryan, Rafael Danet.

She sailed for Porto Rico via St. Thomas yesterday at 6 o'clock p. m. with some packages and the following passengers:—

To Porto Rico:—Miss Lorma Hansen, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph B. Blackwood and 2 children, Mary Henry.

To St. Thomas:—Mrs. A. Batiste, Mr. Jos. Powlis, Mr. Sidney Brewster, Mr. Alphonso Marcus, Rev'd. Geo. Englert, Mr. Jos. Francis, Mr. E. Lagontrie.

U. S. NAVY PRESS NEWS.

November 23, 1919.

SYDNEY: Commenting on the reported intentions of the United States Asiatic Squadron to visit Australia, the Sydney Daily Telegraph recently said, the American fleet may be assured of unanimous and enthusiastic welcome. Our welcome will show how eager we are to frustrate the work of those who would spread suspicion and misunderstanding between the people of the British Empire and the United States.

STOCKHOLM: General Denikine, commanding the anti-Bolshevik's forces on the southern Russian front, claims to have broken through the Red lines between Oral and Tambov, southeast of Moscow and to have annihilated 5,000 Bolshevik troops, according to a Helsingford despatch.