

CHRISTIANSTED THEATRE

8.30 THURSDAY EVENING 8.30

"The Weaker Vessel".

A 6 Reel Attraction, with: MARY MAC LAREN, at her very best. She works them up, she gives a brand new start in the enjoyment of photo dramas. Come and see this vividly diverting, up to the minute drama. This is a story of the everlasting battle of the sexes, principally concerning how one Abby Hopkins solved the matrimonial problem for herself, and how she became an individual through the experience.

ADMISSION:

Reserved Seats.....40c.
General Entrance.....20c.

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"The Lure Of The Circus"

ORDER OF THE DAY

for the 5th Ordinary Meeting of the Colonial Council for St. Croix, MONDAY, March 1, 1920, at one o'clock p. m.

1. Colonial Council Bill No. 23. Resolution authorizing the Governor to increase amounts budgetted for the current fiscal year by a percentage not to exceed that by which the rates of exchange for the current fiscal year exceed the normal rate. Introduced by Government.
2. Colonial Council Bill No. 24. Resolution authorizing the Governor to sell the parcel of land and building known as East Hill School, situated in East End Quarter A, in the island of St. Croix.
3. Colonial Council Bill No. 24. Draft of An Ordinance introduced by 1st. Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakeman) respecting the appointment of employees of the Municipality of St. Croix.
4. Colonial Council Bill No. 26. Draft of an Ordinance introduced by 1st. Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakemann) concerning the remission and refunding of certain taxes assessed or collected on properties used for religious purposes.
5. Colonial Council Bill No. 27. Interpellation to Government, introduced by 1st. Member for Christiansted Country District, (Stakemann) in regard to the re-opening of the Richmond Sore-foot Hospital.

Colonial Council Office, St. Croix, February 24, 1920.

ROBT. L. MERWIN,
Chairman.

LOST between Strand and Prince's Streets A GOLD BRACELET. Finder will be rewarded on bringing same at this office.

The Industrial Brass Band will render a concert on the wharf this evening.

Due to the calm weather that exist the Creole has not arrived from St. Thomas as yet.

It is reported that the Navy Band is to be sent to St. Thomas on the Vixen next Monday, and that the men will be put in middy dress instead of the present style of uniform which is said to be obsolete.

The exhibition of The Brass Bullet, which proved a serial of extra attraction, was concluded at the theatre on Monday night when the audience was a very large one. It's hoped the management will soon be able to secure as fine a film.

The Revd. Mr. Babcock delivered an interesting and instructive lecture last Sunday evening in the Sunday Market and held a tremendous audience spell-bound during his discourse which dealt chiefly with his life and experiences among the people of Africa to whom he paid tribute in regard to their intellectual and advancement apace with western civilization. Mr. Babcock left for St. Thomas on Monday and is expected to return to this island shortly when he will speak on his adventurous trip across the Irish Sea where he was torpedoed by a German submarine. We are sure none will regret spending an hour or so listening to this interesting speaker and I would recommend that all who failed to hear him the first time embrace the opportunity of doing so now.

One "Peter" in West End News of yesterday in commenting in that paper on what is presumably the recent exchange of letters between Mr. Leader and Mr. La Bega, says "we are surprised to see Avis taking an active part". What is meant by this remark is certainly more than can be deduced from the circumstance of this paper having accepted correspondence from both gentlemen and published the same without comment, that not being our business, and it furthermore being the policy to afford space to all correspondence within reasonable limits, not assuming any responsibility for the opinions of writers or necessarily endorsing their views. When will people know this?

The Congressional Commission.

On Monday the 9th of February at 9 o'clock a. m. a public meeting was convened in the Colonial Council Chamber at Christiansted, for the purpose of an inquiry into the local conditions at present existing in the Island, and what in the view of the inhabitants would tend to improve those conditions in the future.

The Commissioners conducted their investigations in a systematic and fair manner, and everybody had an opportunity of expressing their views who cared to do so.

At the closing of the investigations, the Chairman invited the different members of the Commission to address the meeting which they did, and gave us an oratorical treat, the like many of us never had the pleasure of listening to before.

The Commissioners said in part, "We have only been in the Island four days, but we think we have during that time discovered the secret of your trouble, which in our opinion is the lack of unity." As an example, they drew a word picture of a good navigator in an open boat on a rough sea, trying to make port, but on account of the oarsmen pulling against each other could not make headway.

This example they claimed illustrated the island's condition very well to their minds, the large concerns working against the interests of the small ones, the laborers working against the interest of their employers, and all tending to decrease production and retard progress.

They claimed that St. Croix was a beautiful island, with as good soil as they had ever seen, and a sufficient area to support a much larger population than the island at present had, if worked in a proper manner. They admonished the laborers to give good honest work and respect their employer's property, and do their share in increasing the production of the island, if they expected better wages and conditions, and make it possible for their employers to meet their