

Publication.

It is hereby brought to public notice that the Government has, this date, authorized Rev. THOMAS HANLEY, C. S. S. R., to perform civil religious functions in the Municipality of St. Croix.

Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States, St. Croix, 7 June, 1921.

C. C. TIMMONS.
Government Secretary.

Publication.

It is hereby brought to public notice that the Trade-mark shown below which was registered in the United States Patent Office, Washington, D. C., on April 12, 1921, in the name of The Texas Company, of Houston, Texas, and New York, N. Y., a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Texas, and Trade-mark certificate No. 141,250 issued therefor, has this date been registered in the Office of the Government Secretary of the Virgin Islands of the United States at St. Thomas, in accordance with the provisions in the regulations governing the registration of Patents and Trade marks in the Virgin Islands, approved 30 June 1920.

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Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States, St. Thomas, 20 May 1921.

J. J. GAFFNEY.
Acting Government Secretary.

Publication.

ALL persons who may have any claim or claims against the estate of the late John William Bernard of St. Thomas who died on the 20th. April 1921 are hereby requested to file same with this Court within 3 months from today. No claim will be accepted after expiration of said 3 months.

The Dealing Court of St. Thomas and St. John, St. Thomas, June 6, 1921.

THIELE.
Judge.

EDITORIAL.

The conclusion of the extract from the Congressional Record will be published in tomorrow's issue, and the whole

article will appear in Saturday's Mail Edition a limited number of copies of which will be available at 3 cents each.

LOCAL.

Soaking rain showers have been falling here since midnight and the atmosphere is much cooled thereby.

The S. S. Parima from St. Kitts, homeward bound, arrived at and sailed from Frederiksted this morning.

Congressional Action In Virgin Islands Affairs, Extract From Congressional Record Of May 25, 1921. Amendment Introduced By Senator Kenyon In The Senate On May 20, 1921.

PROVIDED, that no person owing allegiance to any country other than the United States of America shall be eligible to hold office as a member of the Colonial Councils of the Virgin Islands of the United States nor to hold any public office under the government of said islands: *Provided further*, that the income tax laws now in force in the United States of America and those which may hereafter be enacted shall be held to be likewise in force in the Virgin Islands of the United States, except that the proceeds of such taxes shall be paid into the treasuries of said islands.

Mr. KENYON. Mr. President, as the Virgin Islands are under the Navy in the matter of government, it seems to me this is an appropriate time and place in the pending bill to correct a situation in the Virgin Islands that has needed the attention of Congress for some time.

When the Virgin Islands were taken over by the United States from Denmark it was provided that anyone residing there who did not care to become a citizen of the United States by certain procedure could retain his Danish citizenship. I think of all the inhabitants of the islands there were only somewhere around 30 in number who exercised that privilege. One of the individuals who retained his Danish citizenship edits a paper at St. Thomas which, I think I am fair in saying, is hostile to the United States. His utterances show no friendly feeling at least to this country. He is a member and has been president of the colonial council of St. Thomas and St. John, which makes laws for the government of those islands. So we have the perfectly anomalous situation of a Danish subject, a man who refuses to become a citizen of the United States, and who has provoked much feeling against the United States by his paper, at the head of the council making laws to govern por-

tions of those islands. He is not now the head of the council, because his term has expired, but he has been re-elected to the council, as I understand. It ought not to be that a Danish subject could be a member of the council making laws for those islands. That is what my amendment will prevent.

In the second place, we are spending some \$375,000 a year out of the Treasury to carry on the affairs of the Virgin Islands. There are great planters in the Virgin Islands who the committee believed when they visited those islands were escaping the income taxes. If the income-tax laws of the United States should be applied to the Virgin Islands, we can raise enough money, I think, to make the Virgin Islands practically self-sustaining.

Those are the two points that are covered by my amendment and I would be glad if the Senator from Washington could see his way clear to accept it. Let me say further that I have a letter from the present governor of the Virgin Islands strongly indorsing the amendment and urging its adoption.

MR. POINDEXTER. Will the Senator have the letter printed in the Record?

MR. KENYON. I think, Mr. President, it may be of interest to insert in the Record the letter received by me from the governor of the Virgin Islands, and I therefore ask unanimous consent that it may be incorporated in the Record at this point.

The VICE PRESIDENT. Without objection, it is so ordered.

The letter referred to is as follows:

Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States,
St. Thomas, May 9, 1921.

My dear Senator Kenyon: I was inaugurated in the Council Chamber in St. Thomas before the Colonial Council and a large assemblage of officials and citizens on April 26, since which time I have been actively at work getting hold of the situation here, after which I shall go to St. Croix on the same mission. I would not be able to go there at once, anyway, for the *Vixen* is not at present seaworthy and funds for naval repairs are not easily available, owing to the necessity for rigid economy.

There have been improvements since your commission was here. Taking your recommendations in order, the following is the present condition as far as I have gone:

1. The water problem is still serious and the season has been very dry. We are about completing a watershed and large cistern for the French colony (Chachas) and when completed and filled by the hoped-for rain, these poor people will have water at their doors instead of having to walk a half mile for each bucketful.

2. The transportation service is some-