

from San Juan with the American molasses barge Elizabeth in tow arrived at St. Thomas yesterday morning for docking purposes.

A cargo of 30,000 barrels of fuel oil for the U. S. Shipping Board is due at St. Thomas on Wednesday.

WEATHER REPORT.

San Juan, Bar. 29.90 Ther. 74, S. E. Vel 3, rain.
St. Thomas, Bar. 29.98, Ther. 76, E. Vel. 6, partly cloudy.
St. Kitts, Bar. 29.96, Ther. 78, E. Vel. 6, partly cloudy.
Dominica, Bar. 29.94, Ther. 72, E. Vel. 2, clear.
St. Lucia, Bar. 29.90 Ther. 76 E. Vel. 2, clear.
Barbados, Bar. 29.94, Ther. 74, N. E. Vel. 6, cloudy.
Port of Spain, Bar. 29.90, Ther. 72, calm, partly cloudy.
Curacao, Bar. 29.84, Ther. 78, E. Vel. 6 clear.

Frederiksted, October 20th. 1919.

The "Virginia" arrived on Saturday night at 7 o'clock with 37 bags of mail for St. Croix, some packages and the following passengers:

From Porto Rico:—Frank M. Cortina, Joseph Christian.

She left on usual route yesterday at 6 o'clock p. m. with the mails, cargo and the following passengers:

For Porto Rico:—Maria Corneiro, Cesar Espanol, Victor Marshal, Ludvig Johannes Jacobsen.

For St. Thomas:—Zephania Collimore, William Folkes, Elzever Wilkes, Mrs. Alice Stephens, Ralph Johnson, Arthur Fleming, Alexander Jacobs, Abraham George, Peter Harper, Goldman Odle, Mary Thompson, Rotschild Francis, Randolph Innis, Frederico Guirty, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Bjerg, infant and servant, Miss Adelia Roberts.

To The Editor of the Avis.

Sir,

Will you kindly publish in your paper the Editorial of the Herald for October 17 and oblige.

Yours truly,

LONGFIELD SMITH.
Agronomist in Charge.

Extract from the Herald of October 17 1919.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Dr. Longfield Smith states that our enquiries were no longer directed with a genuine desire for information, and has notified us that his replies must cease.

At the same time the Avis comes with some "stuff" from Planters in support of Longfield Smith, but which does not worth the while reading.

Yes, our inquiries were directed with a

genuine (and a very genuine one too) desire for information, and we wished we could have called the information we received genuine. As a matter of fact the information received was what we already knew, and was therefore to us no information. If Dr. Longfield Smith had answered our questions, we would have got the genuine information we wanted.

As to the wish of Planters to have the Dr. here for many years to come, we would simply advise them that their wishes do not take precedence over the will of the Federal Department of Agriculture, and the will of that Department is not opposed by smooth tongues and sophistry. They will certainly decide how long Dr. Longfield Smith shall remain; they are the best judges of his usefulness.

TELEGRAMS

SA CROIX STATION

Copenhagen, Oct. 16th.—A British and French squadron of more than 20 warships has arrived at Riga, according to a Lettish private report received here.

Berlin, Oct. 16th.—A semi-official statement issued here today says the Entente prohibition of German ships in the Baltic extends also to German ships in territorial waters. Fishing boats particularly affected. "Such a sharp reprisal is calculated to evoke bitterness," the statement says.

London, Oct. 15th.—The visit of President Poincare, which had been postponed owing to the railway strike, has now been definitely fixed. With Madame Poincare he will be guest of the King at Buckingham Palace. M. Stephen Pichon will be included in the visiting party. A banquet will be tendered the visitors at the Guild Hall. The Party will proceed to Glasgow, where the President will be installed as the Rec or of Glasgow University. They will return to France November 14th.

Dublin, Oct. 16th.—Defying the order of the Govt. and the Commander-in-Chief in Ireland, the 12th Annual Convention of the Sinn Fein was held at midnight in the Mansion House. It lasted three hours despite all precautions taken to prevent the meeting, the complete order of business was carried through.

London, October 16th.—The Congress on tuberculosis opened today under the Presidency of Lord Glenconner. The opening address being delivered by Hon. Christopher Addison, Minister of Health. Professor Addison declared that great numbers of men had been added to the number of sufferers from tuberculosis owing to the war. He regarded improved housing of first importance among the preventive measures. Many foreign delegates are in attendance at the conference.

Berlin, Oct. 16th.—Associated Press. The German Govt.'s reply to the demands of the Allies concerning the evac-

uation of the Baltic provinces, has been handed to Marshal Foch. The reply points out that General Von Der Goltz, the former Commander, has been recalled and repudiates any warlike intentions by Germany against either the Lettish or Russian people. It adds that the German Govt. has strictly forbidden German soldiers to enter Russian units.

London, Oct. 16th.—Lloyd's Registrar states that two millions eight hundred thousand tons of shipping was under construction at the end of September, an increase of 393,600 tons over three months ago. A feature is the increase in the numbers of bigger ships being built. At the present time 5,230,000 tons are being built abroad, and of this 2,584,000 are under Lloyd's Register.

London, Oct. 16th.—Field Marshal Haig was made a freeman of the Borough of Wolverhampton yesterday. In acknowledging the honour he said that he had been reading Ludendorff's memoirs and one of the things there that struck him was the marked distress and hopelessness that had overcome the German Commander when he realized that the Great German Army had been broken to pieces. That was an experience which he, Haig, had never had to contemplate even though the men he had command of had been almost hopelessly outnumbered, the numbers reduced at their strength tried by the strain of an unequal battle. Of those who had remained with him, each man had fought a man's battle and had fought the more desperately, the more desperate conditions became. The gallant story of the British campaign offered a moral which should be applied to every corner of the Empire at the present day. "Preserve your confidence not merely in yourselves but in each other and organize for success to the last detail." Alluding to the recent railway strike, Field Marshal Haig said that he was glad that the soldiers had not been called upon for it was not their job. They enlisted to fight external and not internal foes.

London, Oct. 16th. The Dublin correspondent of the "Evening Standard" says if the Sinn Fein Convention was held in some other place than the Mansion House which was strongly watched by troops and police throughout the night.

NOTICE.

ON account of there not being a quorum at the meeting of the HIGH SCHOOL at Midland Moravian School House on Thursday the 16th at 3.30 p. m., a Meeting will be held in the HIGH SCHOOL HOUSE (Bay Str.) Frederiksted, on THURSDAY 23RD AT 4 O'CLOCK P. M.

F. LUNNEY.
President.