

be used without the consent of the Colonial Council.

No one requesting the word further 1st Discussion closed.

1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (*Andersen*) moved that 2nd Discussion come on today.

With Government and the Council's consent 2nd Discussion opened.

No one requesting the word, 1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (*Andersen*) proposed that 2nd Discussion be closed.

The Chairman put the proposal to the vote. It was unanimously adopted.

The Secretary (*Cinegata*) read the bill and the Chairman put same to the vote.

It was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman remarked: The Money Bill as passed will be forwarded to Government.

4. Colonial Council Bill No. 17.

Introduction of and 1st discussion on Colonial Council Bill No. 17, Draft of Ordinance introduced by Government, providing for the erection of a pavilion upon the grounds of the Leper Asylum.

The Bill reads as follows:

Colonial Council Bill No. 17.

Third Council, First Session 1921-1922.

Be it resolved by the Colonial Council of St. Croix, in session assembled:—

1. That permission and authority is hereby granted for the erection of a pavilion upon the grounds of the Leper Asylum subject to the following conditions:

- All the money necessary to cover the cost of material and erection is to be provided without drawing upon any public funds controlled by this body.
- The site shall be designated by the officer in charge of the institution, subject to the approval of the Governor, or such officer as may be authorized to act for him.
- The plans and estimated costs shall be approved by the individual who or the committee which collects the necessary funds, the Public Works Officer and the Governor, or such officer as may be authorized to act for him.
- The erection shall be under the direction of the Public Works Officer who shall be limited by the approved plans and the money available for the purpose.

e. When completed, this pavilion shall become the property of the Municipality of St. Croix and shall be maintained in good repair by said municipality.

f. This pavilion shall be available for the use of all inmates for rest, recreation, entertainment or worship and it shall also be made available for the holding of religious services under the auspices of any church or sect officially recognized in this municipality, subject to such regulations as may be prescribed by the officer in charge of the asylum and approved by the Governor or such officer as may be authorized to act for him.

2. This permission and authority shall become null and void on the 30th day of June, 1923, provided that the said pavilion is not completed and turned over to the municipality previous to that time.

Introduced by Government.

The Chairman remarked: This bill is introduced as a Resolution and not as an Ordinance. Being a Resolution I desire to take a vote as to whether this Resolution be subject to one or more discussions. I would therefore be obliged if all members in favor of this Resolution being subjected to one discussion to please raise their right hands.

Carried unanimously.

The Chairman then requested the Despatching Secretary to introduce the Resolution.

Despatching Secretary (*Rappolee*) in introducing the Resolution said, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen of the Council. There is very little more to explain about pavilion than is contained in the Resolution. Reverend Critchlow is proposing to build a pavilion at the Leper Asylum where the unfortunate people who are confined there may go for worship. The American Mission for Lepers in New York has promised him certain funds towards the building of this pavilion; whether the amount promised is sufficient he does not know, but he is going to try to raise sufficient money. This Resolution places a limit on the authority to build; the building must be erected by June 30, 1923, and money for its material and erection must come from outside sources. They have asked Government to transport the materials, but Government cannot promise that until its erection is authorized. After the pavilion is built it shall become Municipal property.

(To be continued.)

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, April 27th.—Sir Henry Richards, K. C., who was counsellor for Canada and New Foundland in the North Atlantic coast fisheries arbitration at the Hague in 1910, died today.

Malaca Spain, April 27th.—Further details concerning the recent disastrous fire here state that the total lives lost number sixty, while about one hundred persons sustained injuries.

POSTAL IMPROVEMENT WEEK.

May 1 to 6

HELPING OTHERS HELPS YOU.

Anatomists tell us that 36 muscles make a smile, and 97 a frown. Logically, if not practically, it should be easier to smile than to frown, and when we frown we work overtime, so to speak. This may be very well in theory, but I have just finished booking and preparing for return a good half hundred C. O. D. parcels which the addressees have either refused or failed to redeem, and I am unable to smile. Indeed, it is infinitely more to the point to frown, for at any rate it gives vent to one's feelings. Here is a feature of the local postal service where public cooperation will increase efficiency. By ordering parcel post packages which you cannot redeem or which you have no reasonable expectation to pay for, you impose on us duties which need not be imposed, and incidentally engross the time of the post office when that time could be better devoted to matters of material benefit to you, the patrons of the office, — not to speak of the principle you sacrifice and the reputation you hazard by your loose methods. I have had many complaints from companies in the States concerning the numerous C. O. D. parcels which are returned as abandoned, unclaimed, or refused. The Post Office Department has received complaints and has referred these complaints to me. Much to my personal regret I have been forced to say that as far as this office is concerned, it is observed that C. O. D. business is confined largely to people who do not appear to appreciate its functions or advantages. It was not agreeable to me to say this, but it was my evident duty to have the situation understood. Some time has elapsed since this matter was forcibly brought to attention, but little or no improvement has been noticed. Those of you whom it may concern might do this much for "Postal Improvement Week" here: — Take out the parcels you have due to be returned to senders at their expense; amend your practice of ordering more than you can pay for; do not order in your name for other people who you claim won't "come across"; BOOST THE REPUTATION OF YOUR HOME AS A PLACE WHERE INTEGRITY IS TO BE FOUND. Only you gain in the long run.

B. R. LARSEN, Postmaster.