

AUCTION.

MONDAY
the 2nd of August a. c.
AT 2 O'CLOCK P. M.

Will be offered for sale at public auction, to be held in the Police-Stable-Yard Christiansted

ONE DONKEY

taken up (empounded) on Estate Orange Grove Land.

Christiansted Police Office, July the 28th 1920.

WILH. JENSEN.

NOTICE.

THE Cooperative Dairy will open its Milk-sale on the 1st of August.

ALL Customers who so kindly patronized the Branch Store of HENRY CREQUE are thus informed that after July 31st this Branch Store closes its Business in St. Croix. The "Manager" thanks all customers for their kind patronage of the past 20 years and make it known that at Creque's Department Store in St. Thomas, she will be there to serve the every day Customers and with a thought for St. Croix.

Drop a card and have your requirements filled.

SARAH E. PERCY,
Creque's Store.

Christiansted St. Croix, July 29th 1920.

LOCAL.

The S. S. Saranac, Capt. Møller, sailed from here for St. Thomas at 5 o'clock yesterday afternoon, taking passengers, and all mail posted up to 4 p. m.

The schooner Creole leaves for St. Thomas at the usual hour today on the return mail-trip.

The second day of the St. John's Church soiree was as successful in point of patronage and entertainment as the first, and everybody appeared to spend an enjoyable evening. The receipts of this enterprise must be considerable; the figures have not been ascertained.

We congratulate the rector and all his willing workers and hope that another like effort on their part will soon be forthcoming.

The agents say the Raporel steamer is looked for this week from New York,

calling at Christiansted, thence to Guadeloupe, Barbados, and possibly St. Kitts for which places mail will be closed upon due notice from the post office.

We congratulate Mr. R. H. Amphlett Leader of his appointment as postmaster at Frederiksted which position he had been filling temporarily. Mr. Leader has proved a very satisfactory postmaster and from our knowledge of him, we are not surprised at this. We wish him many useful years in public service.

Correspondence.

Dear Mr. Editor:

The Lord made water into wine and he did so for man to use it, at the same time he put in the Drink itself punishment for those who abuse it. — Why should we attempt to improve upon the methods of the Savior?

JOHNNY.

Mr. Editor!

Is it correct that only two members of St. Thomas Colonial Council voted for prohibition and that one of the two is a Bayrum Manufacturer?

X.

The Editor "St. Croix Avis."

Dear Sir:—

It is being circulated that the views expressed in the Editorials of *The Herald* are the expressions of foreigners. In this connection I beg to state that this is an erroneous conception, as I am still in charge of the Editorial Department of that paper and am still directing its policy. No article can therefore be published without my sanction, and all the views expressed therein are those gained from close contact with a majority of the population.

Yours very truly

D. HAMILTON JACKSON.

July 28th 1920.

Christiansted, July 28, 1920.

Editor St. Croix Avis

Since my letter of the 24th., you have been fairly overwhelmed with correspondence favoring freedom as against prohibition, and I am very pleased to be able to conclude thereby, that there are still some level headed people in the community. I learn with some astonishment that you favor prohibition yourself, and for that reason this is my last contribution on a platform which, under the circumstances, must needs be distasteful to you. There is little occasion for reply to the effusions which have appeared in the *Herald* as result of my letter; those productions are of the sort which originate from those who support self-sufficiency intolerance and who in spite of themselves have betrayed the truth of my

contentions here reiterated and sealed with the advice that they permit the natives to do their own legislating, while they, not even having political rights in the place to which they have but just arrived and which they do not seem to appreciate as the refuge it really is to them, might look up the needs of the places they come from, but where probably they are not wanted. If they are in need of political activity their "native" backer from Wilhelmsstrasse may be able to find them occupation to help straighten out that mass of tangle in the "Vaterland". There ought to be plenty of opportunity for them there. Please insert the following clippings from St. Croix Avis by way of showing those who do not know, that while the contribution from St. Croix Avis reprinted in today's *Herald* may seem well, these are without doubt better, being of later date and attested with the authors' names:

No. 58 of July 28, 1915: "The whole cry about rum drinking originates from personal spite and is now carried on by fanatics without foundation for their statement." *M. A. Pretto.*

No. 60 July 28, 1915: Statistical proof from Lawyer A. E. Stakemann that by relative comparison this island consumed less alcohol than Denmark (a sober country)

No. 60 July 31, 1915: "We emphatically deny there being many cases of drunkenness in the island nowadays. Statistics and facts can be cited to prove that drunkenness among the laboring population has become almost extinct since the great temperance movement in 1900. Total prohibition with all its attendant objections and disadvantages, we submit, is highly impracticable, and would meet with strong resistance from all classes of the inhabitants of the island". *Memorial signed by planters, merchants, tradesmen, and others and forwarded to the Minister of Finance, Denmark.*

No. 61 July 31, 1915: "I would remark, and I have very frequent opportunity of coming into contact with the people, that the present condition of the island, with regards to the consumption of intoxicants, bears favorably with any other community of like size and conditions, and it is absolutely untrue to say that it is addicted to drunkenness." *W. C. Watson.*

No. 61 July 31, 1915: "I am neither interested in rum as a seller nor as a consumer, so it is a matter of no importance to me whether it finally be decided to limit or abolish the sale of alcoholic liquors. The question, however, is mainly one of cheap rum and excessive drunkenness among the consumers of this cheap rum—a wilful falsehood. The temperance cause is undoubtedly a good one, but in this case it seems to be prompted by evil design. Like every other community we have the drunkard, those who drink with moderation, and those who do not drink at all; but these are, I think, proportionate