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## Publication.

It is hereby brought to public no-  
tice that the Government has, at  
the request of the Rector of All  
Saints' Church, Charlotte Amalia,  
St. Thomas, and the wardens of  
St. Paul's Episcopal Church, Freder-  
icksted, St. Croix, revoked the  
authority granted to Rev. R. G.  
BARROW, to perform civil-religi-  
ous ceremonies in the municipali-  
ties of St. Croix, and St. Thomas,  
and St. John.

Government of the Virgin Islands of  
the United States, 27th April 1920.

C. C. TIMMONS,  
Government Secretary.

## Please Take Notice.

A LIMITED quantity of yams and  
tannias can be had at Estate  
Annaly at 5c. per lb. Look sharp  
and get your share before they are  
gone.

Estate Annaly, St. Croix, April 30th  
1920.

A. J. BLACKWOOD.

## Lecture.

THERE will be a Miscellaneous Lecture  
in Sunday Market TUESDAY NIGHT  
the 4th. inst., at 8 o'clock. All are  
cordially invited. Come out in vast  
numbers and enjoy the moonlight.

Speaker

A. C. BOUGH.

Songs same as last.

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE COLONIAL COUNCIL FOR ST. CROIX.

(Continued from Saturday's Avis)

1st member for Christiansted Country  
District (Stakemann) remarked: Mr.  
Chairman. In regard to what I refer-  
red to I don't believe there were nine  
members present, but there were at least  
six or seven and I will call upon every  
one who were present to state whether  
or not Judge Noll did not say that the  
Governor had the right to make that law  
and that no one had the right to make  
any change; I am perfectly certain that  
I understood what he said. 2nd Appoint-  
ed Member Noll: I agree that you un-  
derstood me. Member Stakemann con-  
tinuing said: If you agree with me then  
I am satisfied.

4th Appointed Member (Blackwood)  
remarked: Mr. Chairman. The contro-  
versy does not help us very much. The  
way I understood the matter was that the  
general organization was subject to  
change when it is introduced in the Coun-  
cil. That's my understanding of it.

1st Member for Christiansted Country  
District [Stakemann] remarked: Mr.  
Chairman. If that is the understanding  
of the last speaker then he did not hear  
when that remark was made. I remem-  
ber that my answer to the remark was:  
"if we have not the right to make any  
change, we have not the right to vote  
on it."

1st Member for Frederiksted Country  
District [Andersen] said that as far as  
he understands it was said that it is the  
general organization that is not subject  
to change.

2nd Appointed Member [Noll] remark-  
ed: Mr. Chairman. I quite agree with  
the member's attitude. I stated to  
him that any member has a right  
to bring in amendment when the bill  
is introduced in the Council so as to  
save time in the Council's Commit-  
tee. If any amendments are offer-  
ed I hope the Council will exercise  
its best judgment on it.

5th Appointed Member (Lunney) re-  
marked: Mr. Chairman. I have not  
been a member of the Committee ap-  
pointed to report on these laws, but the  
Committee report is before me and it is  
favorable. The Committee has recom-  
mended the code of laws. I am not a  
lawyer, but I am endowed with a certain  
amount of common sense. Everything  
is thoroughly explained in the code and  
it is brought down to a pretty plain and  
common sense reading of the law; there  
is no technicality in it. As we all have  
been wishing years ago to come under  
American law I don't think it wise to  
indulge in petty trifles. The law, as

Judge Noll has stated, has been working  
for hundreds of years; they are better  
than the laws we have in existence, and  
as Judge Noll has said, the Anglo Saxon  
Laws are producing the greatest amount  
of satisfaction; and if we are to stand  
up for justice and equity, then let us  
stand up and pass laws that will make  
the people loyal. A very important  
matter is placed before us, let us not  
waste our time, but go ahead and dis-  
cuss the laws and then we can say we  
are in harmony with Government and  
the people. It is our duty, every one  
of us here, who have the community's  
interest at heart to make laws that will  
make the people work in unity with  
each other.

1st Member Frederiksted Country  
District (Andersen) remarked: Mr.  
Chairman. Everything is clearly un-  
derstood now, I propose that 1st discus-  
sion on Bill No. 29 be closed.

The Chairman remarked: I wish to  
make it clearly understood that the  
matter before you now is the general  
organization, and the School Ordinance

2nd Appointed Member (Noll) re-  
marked: Mr. Chairman. With regard  
to the School Ordinance the question may  
be asked why any other organization is  
not presented for the other departments  
of importance of which no mention is  
made, the reason is, the Judiciary Depart-  
ment is the machinery by which these  
laws will be enforced. It was thought  
that the chapters in regard to the School  
Ordinance can be in better form than  
they are today and the procedure which  
is before you, if passed, would be to  
the benefit of the department and the  
Directors can perform their work with  
greater confidence. The St. Thomas  
Council thought it best to wait and bring  
in ordinances with regard to the other  
departments at a later date. The orga-  
nization before you today is not different  
to the Ordinance of Review; and I wish  
to call your attention, at this particular  
instance, that Government is offering  
you a commission and does not ask  
for the balance of power; it only asks  
for the fifty-fifty break, in other words,  
the Government is asking for the best  
judgment of three of your best men  
against two.

No one requesting the word further  
the Chairman put to the vote and it was  
unanimously carried that 1st Discussion  
be closed.

1st Discussion closed.

The Chairman gave a recess of 10  
minutes.

After recess the Council reassembled  
and the Chairman laid before the House  
item 5.

Item 5.

Colonial Council Bill No. 30.

Introduction of and 1st Discussion  
on Draft of an Ordinance, introduced  
by Government, providing for a  
compiled code of general and special  
laws, and altering, amending, repeal-