

the word and said,—Mr. Chairman. I think it would be fair and reasonable to elect a committee of three members to put on record the errors made in the report of the Congressional Commission. I don't think it would be fair to this community if such grave errors are not brought to the notice of the Commission. The member read a paragraph from the Report of the Commission and continuing said,—I do not think the rest of the body of Congress should be made to believe that these gentlemen were here two days whereas they were not; therefore, I think it would be a good thing to appoint a committee to record the errors and draw the attention of the Commission to same. I propose a small committee to investigate and that the Chairman forward the findings of that committee to the Commission. I think that would be fair to the Community.

The Chairman remarked: It is necessary to have a three-quarter vote as to whether the proposal should be adopted.

The Chairman put the proposal to the vote.

11 members voted for; 3 not voting.

It was put to the vote and carried that the rule requiring that a committee be appointed after a recess be waived and that the committee as proposed above be appointed immediately.

The Chairman asked members to prepare their voting tickets for a committee of 3 members to investigate and report on the Report of the Congressional Commission.

11 voting tickets were handed in.

Elected were: 1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (Andersen) with 8 votes, 2nd Member for Frederiksted Town (Merwin) with 7 votes.

2nd Appointed Member (Noll), 1st Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakemann) and 2nd Member for Christiansted Town (Canegata) received 3 votes respectively; 4th Appointed Member [Blackwood], 1st Member for Frederiksted Town [Coulter], 2nd Member for Frederiksted Country District [M. M. Skeock] and 3rd Member for Christiansted Country District [R. W. Skeock] received 1 vote respectively.

9 voting tickets were handed in and 2nd Appointed Member [Noll] was unanimously elected with 9 votes.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 4.40 p. m.

A fairly large quantity of mail from St. Thomas, Porto Rico, and the States was received and delivered here yesterday forenoon.

The S. S. "Lake Elkwood" of the Raporel Line arrived in Frederiksted yesterday, landed cargo for that end and arrived here at daybreak today to unload,

as is understood, some 70 tons of stuff for this place.

The S. S. "Korona" is in Frederiksted loading sugar and expected to be through to leave for New York via St. Thomas sometime Wednesday. It is requested to state that pending definite advice concerning her departure mails for the States will be closed in Christiansted tomorrow afternoon at 4 o'clock.

The "Vixen" is looked for today on the occasion of the Colonial Council meeting at which the Governor is expected to be present.

The Navy Band entertained the usual appreciative gathering at its Sunday evening concert last night. There is no difference of opinion that the band has made wonderful improvement and is playing splendidly, but the recent practice of rendering all selection so slowly is wondered at and considered as tending to detract from the good phrasing and general fine execution not noted to full advantage when certain music, like a charming waltz on the programme of last night, is rendered with as little animation as a dirge.

The bandstand is beginning to look shabby, and a coat of paint on the roof and other woodwork would enhance its appearance and conduce to its preservation. At the time the pavilion was erected by popular subscription it was understood that some portion of the funds was put aside for the upkeep of the structure and, therefore, it will possibly not be so difficult to find the means to do what is now necessary.

The schooner "Creole" is scheduled to sail for St. Thomas at 10 a. m. today, and will take mail.

Further instalments of the popular serial "The Red Glove" will be presented at the theatre this evening. Patrons interested in this famous picture-drama will find synopsis of coming chapters in this issue.

A welcome soaking shower fell last night making the third in the last few days from which the conclusion is drawn that the drought is, happily, breaking up.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Delayed In Transmission.

London, June 8th.—The Chancellor of the Exchequer announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the proposed levy of a tax on war wealth will be dropped. The Premier stated that a special meeting of the Council of the League of Nations would be held in London on the 14th inst. on the application of the Persian Govt. to deal with the occupation

of Persian territory. The House started the second reading and debate on an important agriculture bill, but was interrupted by a motion for adjournment, in order to discuss the Russian Trade Mission.

Washington, June 8th.—General Pershing, ranking officer by special act of Congress, has written to Secretary Baker expressing his desire to relinquish all military and return to civil life, in order to be free to engage in something more active. In military circles it was known that he was far from satisfied with his independent state in the military establishment without a command. He will retire with the full rank of General. He will be 60 years of age in September next.

London, June 8th.—Speaking at a meeting today of the National Association for employment for ex-soldiers, Field-Marshal Earl Haig was very outspoken in the cause of the ex-soldiers. He declared that, through the selfish obstinacy of some unions, thousands of these men who had fought for the principles and the very existence of trade unionism, were denied work. He added that nobody asked the trades unions to abandon their principles, but he did ask the unions and employers generally to endeavour even at the risk of some sacrifice, to meet the exceptional circumstances by exceptional action.

Sydney, N. S. W., June 8th.—The Prince of Wales on Saturday was given the degree of Doctor of Laws by Melbourne University. Plans are being made for one thousand men of the Light Horse to participate in the Royal Progress towards Sydney, where strong endeavours are being made to have the procession less official, and more popular, with a curtailed programme. The Prince is being received everywhere with the greatest enthusiasm.

Ottawa, June 8th.—Proposals by the West Indian delegation concerning a revised tariff have, at the end of the first week of the conference, not yet taken definite shape. An announcement of the work accomplished by the conference to date is expected from the Canadian Govt. early next week.

London, June 9th.—Mr. Lloyd George announced in the House of Commons yesterday that the liquor traffic bill would be introduced as soon as there was any chance of its passing.

Ottawa, June 9th.—On a motion by Sir Robert Borden, seconded by Mr. Mac Kenzie King, the Dominion House of Commons has accepted the British Parliament's offer of a speakers chair.

Belfast, June 9th.—A pitched battle resulting in numerous casualties, was fought last night, in a village near Enniskillen, when a patrol of the Ulster volunteers surprised fifty raiders who were about to set fire to the court house.