

The s. s. "Bolivia" sailed from New York on Saturday the 21st inst., having 88 tons of cargo for Christiansted and 53 tons for Frederiksted.

The next sailing will be the s. s. "Martinique", formerly the s. s. "Pulwico".

RED CROSS NOTES

Exceeding by more than 60,000 their greatest war-time enrolment of members is the remarkable record of the Chapters comprising the Insular and Foreign Division of the American Red Cross in this year's Roll Call. Conservatively estimated this division will enroll 215,000 members. During the World War the greatest membership achievement of the Insular and Foreign Division was 155,000, while last year 126,000 members were enrolled.

In China, the scene of the vast famine relief operations of the American Red Cross during the last year, there are fourteen Chapters of the American Red Cross and various branches, all of which will vastly increase their enrollment figures for 1920, according to reports to National Headquarters. Manila, Philippine Islands, has already exceeded its quota of 16,000.

The Havana Chapter is carrying on an intensive enrollment effort to reach every American residing in Cuba and every American winter tourist. Many Americans in the British Isles are being reached by the London Chapter.

Reports from Red Cross representatives in all parts of the world reaching National Headquarters indicate that membership in the Red Cross will be more widely distributed over the world this year than ever before.

Enroll now, if you want the Santa Cruz Chapter to retain her previous high record in the Insular and Foreign Division.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Dublin, Jan. 21st.—A strike tribute to the departing British troops is paid by General Sir Nevil Macready, Military Commander of Ireland, in a special order of the day. He says, "The Government having decided that the time has arrived to commence withdrawing troops from Ireland, it wished to express deep appreciation for the services they rendered during the time they formed part of the Irish Command. While I feel there is no desire on the part of the army to rake up past animosities of bitterness, you have been called to perform duties in many respects repugnant to our traditions and devoid of all the glamour of war, though in many ways entailing greater strain and greater individual dangers. The call has been answered in a manner worthy of the best traditions of the service. I honestly believe no other troops in the world would

or could have carried through the work in which you have been engaged without loss of morale or prestige. You officers and men have accomplished the most difficult task any soldier can be called to undertake. You emerged with your discipline unshaken, your conduct in the eyes of all fairminded men blameless. When history is written you will find you contributed no inconsiderable share toward what we hope may prove eventually settled peace and prosperity for Ireland." The General concludes with his personal thanks, saying the soldiers under abnormal conditions proved they were second to none.

Edinbur., Jan. 21st.—At a political meeting held last night, Mr. Austen Chamberlain revealed that at the time the King's visit to Belfast the Government was maturing plans to raise 100,000 additional men in order to carry on the struggle in Ireland with the utmost vigor and to institute martial law. The Government, he declared, had already put every soldier in Ireland that could be spared, but they were inadequate to carry on the struggle to the end. On the morrow of the King's return, added Mr. Chamberlain, I said to the Premier, I think our countrymen will expect we should follow up in action the words you have advised His Majesty to use and that before evoking our country to greater efforts and bloodshed, we should make yet another effort for peace. The Premier agreed and our colleagues, when consulted, also agreed.

Dublin, Jan. 21st.—The City Hall tomorrow will be returned to the municipal authorities by the military, and will be used by the Provisional Government as headquarters for the present, instead of the Mansion House. Adjoining Dublin Castle, the City Hall is conveniently located for consultations. Announcement was made today by the Chairman of the Bank of Ireland that the bank had agreed to act as agents for the Irish Free State.

Dublin, Jan. 21st.—Eamon De Valera at the coming meeting of the Ardheiaaf of high council of the Sinn Fein will move, it was learned today, that until international recognition of Ireland as an independent Republic has been secured, the aim of that organization shall be the same as before, to secure that recognition.

Rome, Jan. 22nd.—The Pope breathed his last at 5.59 o'clock this morning. The news was hurriedly communicated from the papal bed chamber to the principal ante-chamber, and was announced by Monsignor Pizzardo, the Deputy Papal Secretary of State, just as the ponderous bells of St. Peter's, overlooking the Vatican, Courtyard began tolling the hour of six. Then one by one the bells in Rome's 400 churches joined in the horologic symphony, that marked the passing of the head of the Roman Catholic Church. The end came after a long night of intense agony and suffering, the Pontiff now and then lapsing into delirium

throughout the long anxious night. Shortly before midnight he took a little nourishment, which seemed momentarily to revive his spirits, but within an hour afterwards he began to sink rapidly.

Trinidad, Jan. 22nd.—The representatives of the various West Indian colonies who will deliberate at the conference of the Associated West Indian Chamber of Commerce to take place from tomorrow in the Council Chamber arrived yesterday morning in the R. M. S. Chaleur. Sir Edward Davson Obe (President) from Barbados. St. Lucia Hon. Gabriel Lafitte and Mr. W. Wells Palmer. Monserat Hon. W. Lewellyn Wall and Mr. Charles Griffin. Antigua Hon. Donald McDonald. St. Kitts Mr. J. R. Yearwood. Nevis, Mr. H. F. Weldy. St. Vincent, Hon. T. R. Richards and Mr. Alban De Santos. Grenada, Hon. R. C. Fitt, Hon. H. B. G. Austin and Mr. W. Howring representative Barbados and Hon. A. P. Sherlock and Mr. P. Cressall from Demerara have been staying in the colony for the past few days. The conference will be opened tomorrow by His Excellency the Governor at 9.30 a. m. in the Council Chamber, Government Buildings. The first subject on the agenda for discussion "is the critical position of the sugar industry; to urge increased preference and necessity of trade agreement with the United Kingdom, and the desirability of sending delegates to England.

Grenada, Jan. 21st.—The Representative Government Association met Major the Hon. E. F. L. Wood, the Hon. W. G. Ormsby-Gore and Mr. Wiseman yesterday, discussed the question of the concession recently granted by the Secretary of State to their requests. Arguments were presented by Mr. Talbert Marryshow, Mr. C. F. P. Renwick and Mr. C. H. Lucas on behalf of the Association. The Chairman of the various district boards in the island were present to give support to the application for larger concession of representation on the legislative council. At the conclusion of the addresses, Major Wood replied saying he will recommend to His Majesty's Secretary of State that five members instead of four shall be elected to the Council, which will represent five constituencies but with the understanding that another official be appointed by the Governor. He said he would discuss, with His Excellency, the question of the method of selecting the three nominated members before making any definite statement. He promised to recommend that when the unofficial members are solidly opposed to any local proposals in council, they will have constitutional opportunity for laying their position before the Secretary of State, whose answering despatch would be made public.

London, Jan. 21st.—The Vatican has officially invited the foreign Cardinals to come to Rome, according to a despatch from the Exchange Telegraph Company.