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BARBADOS NEWS.

The fortnight has been disappointing from the view of rainfall. We have had little at a time when it is most wanted. Cold nights and heavy dews have prevailed, with the occasional "western showers", peculiar to Barbados which are strictly circumscribed in area, and but of slight precipitation. Planters are anxiously viewing the situation as without the rains to bring on the shoots, the growth must be arrested and arrowing take place. If the present drought continues only a half can be counted on for reaping next year.

There is sugar famine prevailing here owing to the Government allowing the exports to continue, without reserving an adequate amount of sugar for local consumption. The returns made to the Government with regard to stocks were either worthless, or there is a deliberate hoarding of stocks. The export of fancy syrup and molasses has been stopped, and a Government price fixed for the product at sixty four cents per gallon retail. As the average export price paid during the year was around fortytwo cents, the margin left for the holder is not inconsiderable. It is understood the Governor has made arrangements for the purchase of one thousand tons of Demerara sugar to be delivered in November, December and January. Food-stuffs are mounting in price and cattle feeding stuffs are almost unobtainable. Canadian exchange has risen to nine per cent, which is of course reflected in the price of foods from the Dominion. The receipts of English goods continue scant. The tonnage is sufficient but the orders remain unfilled.

CHRISTIANSTED THEATRE

8.30 THIS EVENING 8.30

"The Bull's Eye."

EPISODE 5. SWI - OR DEATH.

EPISODE 6. ON THE BRINK.

Performance concludes with a 2 Reel Comedy.

Hall O'Trouble.

Tuesday evening a special opportunity for St. Croix to see a 1919 feature.

"The Cabaret Girl."

First time so new a film has been shown in St. Croix.

ADMISSION.

- ADULTS — Reserved Seats 40 cents, General Entrance 20 cents.
- CHILDREN—Reserved Seats 20 cents, General Entrance 10 cents.

In spite of the adverse exchange, textile goods are coming from America to an extent hitherto unknown, owing to the inability of the Manchester, Liverpool, and other houses to supply.

The S. S. Tennyson, which was on fire and beached, left to complete her voyage on the 3rd inst. after a part of her cargo and the passengers had to be left here.

Two old residents passed away during the fortnight: Mr. E. G. Tarilton, for many years Inspector of Poor, St. John, father of Mr. P. A. Tarilton the inter-colonial cricketer; and Mr. D. M. Simpson head of the well known engineering firm of that name and proprietor of "Guinea" pln., St. John.—*Barbados Advocate Oct. 14th.*

It is stated in *Sugar* that a factory is to be erected in Hawaii to make sacks out of banana fibre. The factory is estimated to turn out 10,000,000 sacks per annum. A machine has been invented in Honolulu to separate the fibre from the pulp of banana stems. The fibre is to be shipped from the coasts of the Caribbean through the Panama Canal. It is thought that the sugar planters of Hawaii will benefit by the output of the factory.—*Dominica Guardian Oct. 2nd.*

NOTICE.

PARTIES having claims against the Estate of the deceased CHRISTIAN PETER THEOBALD FRIIS of Estate Mount Victory are hereby notified within 3 months to file their claims with the necessary proofs of same with the undersigned A. E. Stakemann, who with co-executor Hans J. Koefod have taken the said estate under administration as executores testamenti.

The meetings in the estate will be held at Lawyer Stakemann's Office in Christiansted on the 3rd Thursday of every month at 3 o'clock p. m.

Frederiksted, St. Croix, October 30th 1919.

H. J. KOEFOD A. E. STAKEMANN.

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