

GOVERNMENT OF THE
VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED STATES
ST. THOMAS.

BY THE GOVERNOR
OF THE
VIRGIN ISLANDS OF THE UNITED
STATES

A Proclamation.

Thanksgiving Day.

THE President of the United States having designated Thursday, the thirtieth day of November as a day of national thanksgiving, supplication and devotion, I, HENRY H. HOUGH, Governor of the Virgin Islands of the United States of America do earnestly recommend that the people of these islands gather at their family altars and in their houses of worship on that day to render thanks to God for the bounties they have enjoyed and to petition that these may be continued and increased in the year before us.

In the beginning of our country the custom was established by the devout fathers of observing annually a day of thanksgiving for the bounties and protection which Divine Providence had extended throughout the year and it is eminently fitting that the custom should be perpetuated.

No country and no people are without their trials and tribulations, no country and no people are without the bounties and protection of the Divine power,—let us all on this day of Thanksgiving seek only to remember the latter. Let each heart be searched, for the benefits and blessings received at the hands of the Almighty and for these let us lift up our hearts in an appropriate expression of appreciation and gratitude.

The terrors of war have passed us by and we are living at peace with the world at large, we have been spared the destruction due to hurricanes, earthquakes, and tidal waves, the devastation due to pestilence, plagues, epidemics and serious illnesses, we have had neither drought nor famine, we have been blessed with the protection of law and order. We are a God-loving people, religiously inclined, living in a spirit of amity and brotherly love. Let us therefore celebrate this day of Thanksgiving as sincerely as did the originators of the custom when it was first established.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the Government of the Virgin Islands of the United States to be affixed.

Issued at St. Thomas, this eighteenth day of November 1922.

HENRY H. HOUGH,
Governor.

[SEAL]

Publication.

PURSUANT to order from the Government, the Tax Commission for St. Croix will meet at the undermentioned days to receive information in writing relating to the taxes for the present year:

For the Town of Christiansted

at the Despatching Secretary's Office at 10 o'clock a. m. viz:

TUESDAY, December 12 for the inhabitants of King's Company, Queen's, Strand, North and West Streets, also Western Suburbs.

WEDNESDAY, December 13 for the inhabitants of Smith, Western and Ulke Lanes, Watergat, Market and Prince's Streets, King's and Queen's Cross Streets, Church, Hospital and Green Streets and the Eastern Suburbs.

THURSDAY, December 14 for the inhabitants of Hill, East, Lagoon, Little Hospital, New and Fisher Streets.

For the Country:

FRIDAY, December 15 for the inhabitants in both East End Quarters at the Stock Estate Sally's Fancy at 11 o'clock a. m.

SATURDAY, December 16 for the inhabitants in Company's Quarter at the Agricultural Experiment Station at Estate Anna's Hope at 11 o'clock a. m.

MONDAY, December 18 for the inhabitants in Queen's King's, and Northside Quarter, Ltr. B. at the Station at King's Hill at 10 o'clock a. m.

TUESDAY, December 19 for the inhabitants in Prince's Quarter in the School of Estate Diamond at 2 o'clock p. m.

THURSDAY, December 21 for the inhabitants in West End Quarter and Northside Quarter Ltr. A., at the Police Office in Frederiksted at 10 o'clock a. m.

For the Town of Frederiksted:

same day for the inhabitants of Strand, King's and Queen's Streets.

FRIDAY, December 22 for the inhabitants of Prince's, Hospital, New Streets, King's Cross Street, Market, Hill and Lagoon Streets, all at the said Police Office at 10 o'clock a. m.

Owners of estates are to specify in writing the exact number of acres in sugar cultivation, in cotton cultivation, in other cultivation and in pasture. Also information concerning the buildings on the estate and appropriation thereof, especially if there are rooms rented to other than laborers permanently employed, and the length and width of the said rooms and the rental thereof.

If any portion of the land is considered to be useless, and yields no revenue to the owner, the number of acres of such portion must be stated in the taxlist and a certificate on oath, issued by the proprietor and two Burghers residing in the

quarter, and furthermore attested by the Quarter Officer, and delivered to the Commission.

Owners of empty lots in town are requested to fill in the taxlists accurately, giving the information desired, in order that it may be ascertained if any new buildings have been erected on the property during the year, also stating the time when such buildings were first occupied.

In order that reduction can be obtained in the taxes for dwelling houses, warehouses and sheds, which have been unoccupied for two months and upwards, the Commission would particularly draw the attention of those parties desiring reduction, that it is very necessary in such cases that certificates to that effect be produced, stating that the houses, sheds, etc. have been vacant during said period.

IT MUST BE SPECIALLY OBSERVED:

Persons neglecting to procure the information and proof described by the regulation in the above shape, time and place, must ascribe to their own neglect all losses resulting therefrom.

As several planters in town years have neglected to meet at the fixed time and place to deliver their taxlists, the Commission begs to announce that taxlists will not be received for any quarter, at any other time or place than above stated. In case persons neglect to deliver a taxlist for any estate in due time, the Commission will, before closing the meeting, assess the tax for said estate according to the best of its knowledge. Taxlists which are forwarded later to the Commission, will, together with a list of those estates that have omitted to send in their taxlists, be transmitted to the Government, in order that other measures be taken.

Blanks for taxlists will be distributed some days previous to the meeting of the Tax Commission and are required to be accurately filled out by the parties concerned and delivered to the Commission on the day which is fixed for each street in the town and each quarter in the country.

Tax Commission for St. Croix, November 22, 1922.

C. E. RAPPOLEE. T. J. STRIDIRON.

Quebec Steamship Co.
THE S. S. "GUIANA"

will sail from New York on Thursday, Dec. 7th.

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