

CLYDE S. S. CO.

OPERATING THE
(RAPOREL LINE.)

THE s. s. Katahdin sailed from New York, Thursday July 22nd with 170 tons Cargo for Christiansted.

Importers are requested to send their orders to catch the s. s. Georgiana Weeins schedule to leave New York on or about Aug. 10th.

JOHN ALEXANDER
Agent.

Christiansted, July 24-1920.

RAPOREL LINE.

Steamer Katahdin sailed Thursday 22nd from New York, 275 tons of cargo for Frederiksted

Marine Barracks, St. Croix,
Virgin Islands of the United States,
24 July, 1920.

1. Upon the receipt of information that a hurricane is approaching this island ONE HURRICANE FLAG (Red Flag with Black Square in center) will be flown.

2. If this island is in the path of the hurricane TWO HURRICANE FLAGS will be flown, one above the other.

3. Flag signals will be made as follows:

In Christiansted from the radio pole:
In Frederiksted from the pole on the southeast corner of the fort.

4. Telephone central will inform all subscribers of the approach of the hurricane.

W. M. SMALL
Major U. S. Marine Corps
Commanding.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE COLONIAL COUNCIL FOR ST. CROIX.

(Continued from Saturday's Avis.)

Item 2.

Colonial Council Bill No. 42.
2nd Discussion on Colonial Council Bill No. 42, Draft of an Ordinance introduced by 1st Member for Christiansted Town (Abramson), repealing an Ordinance known as Colonial Council Bill No. 17, Session 1917-1918 and sanctioned and approved June 20, 1918.

1st Member for Christiansted Town (Abramson) remarked. Mr. Vice Chairman. There is scarcely anything more to be said on this matter, and therefore,

I move that the bill be furthered and passed.

1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (Andersen) and 3rd Appointed Member (Armstrong) entered the meeting.

1st Member for Christiansted Town (Abramson) moved that 2nd Discussion be closed.

4th Member for Christiansted Country District (Ramsay) seconded the member's proposal.

1st Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakemann) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. Before the discussion is closed I wish to say that the Colonial Council is here to make laws; the Municipal Committee cannot make laws for the Council. I believe if this measure passes as it is at present it can be tested in court. The Council cannot delegate its power to the Municipal Committee.

The Vice-Chairman remarked: I think the Honorable Member's remarks in applicable to Bill No. 43 and not the bill which is now before the House.

1st Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakemann): You are right, I withdraw the remark.

The Vice-Chairman then put the motion made by 1st Member for Christiansted Town (Abramson) to the vote.

11 Members voted for; none against.
2nd Discussion closed.

1st Member for Christiansted Town (Abramson) proposed that 3rd Discussion come on today.

5th Appointed Member (Lunney) and 2nd Member for Frederiksted Country District (M. M. Skeoch) seconded the member's proposal.

The Vice-Chairman remarked: According to the Rules of Business a three quarter vote is necessary to further this matter to 3rd Discussion today.

The Vice-Chairman put to the vote whether 3rd Discussion on the bill should come on today.

11 members voted for; none against.
Government having given consent 3rd Discussion opened.

1st Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakemann) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. I would regret to see a repetition of what happened in 1884 when rum was cheap on this island. There must be some control over the sale of liquor; some law must be made that it cannot be sold in the country; let it be sold in town only, and put a heavy excise on rum. Before I vote for the doing away with prohibition I would like to know what the regulations would be.

This matter is now being taken up by the Clergymen of the Island, and it might go before the authorities in Washington, therefore we should consider what we are doing before we proceed. It would be a good thing to know what the regulations would be before the bill is passed.

4th Appointed Member (Blackwood) proposed that 3rd Discussion on the Bill

remains open until Bill No. 42 has been discussed.

The Chairman put the member's proposal to the vote.

4 members voted for; 2 against.

The Vice-Chairman remarked: The motion is carried and 3rd Discussion on the Bill will remain open until after discussion on Bill No. 43.

Item 3.

Colonial Council Bill No. 43.

2nd Discussion on Colonial Council Bill No. 43, Draft of an Ordinance introduced by 1st Member for Christiansted Town (Abramson) providing for the sale of spirituous, vinous and malt liquors, etc.

1st Member for Christiansted Town (Abramson) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. It is alright to hear some members speak about what the people are saying, and what is written in the papers, but I know that we have in this Hall today wolves in sheep's clothing. A certain man told me that it would be a good thing if this bill is passed, as our harbor will be opened and it would encourage people to come to this island, and now he has written a heap of rubbish in his paper trying to fool the public; and what is he doing it for? Only for a living. Are such men to be called men in the truest sense of the word? No: They are bluffers. Men must be men. I recommend that the bill be furthered and passed.

1st Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakemann) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. In regard to this bill I wish to repeat what I said on Bill No. 42.

2nd Member for Frederiksted Country District (M. M. Skeoch) remarked: Mr. Vice-Chairman. I do not think for one moment it is the intention of the Members of this Council to go back to the old way in which rum was sold on the island; I do not think any one in this Council has that intention. I neither share nor sell rum myself, I am here to vote for the measure, because I consider it fair that a person has a right to buy a bottle of rum, whisky or wine and dispose of it, so long as he does not dispose of it in a way that is offensive to the public.

In regard to distilling of rum, I have distilled rum for the past four years, and not a bottle have I sold to a rumshop-keeper on the island, every drop has been exported.

As 1st Member for Christiansted Country District (Stakemann) has said, authority can be given to the Council to make regulations for the sale of liquor on this island.

As regards the Parsons, their protests are natural. When the prohibition law was introduced in this Council many respectable people condemned the action which the Council took upon it; it was very much criticized. Now we have an opportunity of legislating on a bill which I consider reasonable. I believe every