

LOCAL.

The Canadian schooner Emily H. Patten arrived here yesterday with a cargo of lumber consigned to Messrs. Robt. L. Merwin & Co., Inc.

The tug Tadousac visited this port yesterday, returning to St. Thomas at 2 p. m. Former Dispatching Secretary Fox went by this boat, and a mail for St. Thomas was also forwarded.

The Creole arrived here at 11 a. m. yesterday with Porto Rico and St. Thomas mails. Upon inquiry regarding the receipt of parcel post from the United States and no letter mail, the Postmaster explained that certain mail-order houses on the continent forward parcels to San Juan from where they are mailed to the Virgin Islands securing thereby the cheaper rate of postage.

The Native Brass Band entertained the public with a fine concert on the wharf last night. The weather which opened somewhat inclement did not however interfere with the evening's treat which was enjoyed by a large gathering. The band followed by a merry crowd tramped up town afterwards.

The theatre offers an attractive evening's entertainment in the form of a drama entitled "Tangled Threads". See interesting synopsis in this issue and judge for yourself.

Correspondence

To the Editor of the Avis,

August 17, 1921.

Your contemporary the St. Thomas "Sparks" has been carrying an advertisement of the Apollo Theatre of a special film entitled "The Woman God Forgot", represented as the greatest picture seen in St. Thomas; claimed to be the most extraordinary picture of its kind, and also the most expensive; crammed with action, powerful in love interest, rich in clean humor, a magnificent spectacle, etc., etc. This special production of the Moving Picture World features Geraldine Farrar and Wm. Reid, celebrated movie stars.

From time to time the St. Thomas moving picture industry has secured and accommodated the St. Thomas public with productions of a type excelling anything the St. Croix public has been given the opportunity of becoming familiar with, —such as pictures from the Paramount-Artcraft Co., featuring Douglas Fairbanks, known as the movie-king, Mary Pickford, the Talmadge sisters, and others. As a rule these exhibitions have not cost the St. Thomas public more than is expended for shows of an inferior grade, and it is hoped that due effort will be made here to favor the

any member of this Council or the community who wishes to raise the question as to the eligibility of the citizenship of any of the members they are at liberty to do so.

1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (Andersen) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I have heard that some of the members though born here, yet they are British subjects.

The Chairman asked the last speaker whether he could suggest any other method whereby the citizenship of members could be determined?

1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (Andersen) in replying to the Chairman said, —I cannot. That's really a matter that should be passed upon by the Court to get sufficient proof that a member owes allegiance to the United States. There may be some who are born on this Island, but yet owes allegiance to a foreign country.

2nd Member for Frederiksted Country District (M. M. Skeoch) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I think the Honorable Member should call the child by the right name. I know my father was a British subject, but I have never been registered as a British subject.

The Chairman remarked: If later on Government finds out that any member has made a false statement, it will reflect very much on his honor, but I refuse to allow any more discussion on the matter.

1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (Andersen): Mr. Chairman. —

The Chairman: I rule that the Honorable Member has not the word. I will bring up item 3.

(To be continued.)

EDITORIAL.

The following is taken from the Porto Rico Progress of July 29, 1921, and relates to the wages obtaining in Porto Rico for agricultural employment, based on a system of what is known here as "task-work", as it would appear: "Sugar wages throughout the island have been reduced generally to a basis of from 60 to 70 cents per day, for day work, with the centrals and colonos arranging for as much labor as possible on the contract basis which allows payment for work actually done. On this "ajuste" basis employers maintain they get better work done at less unit cost while laborers are at the same time able to earn more pay".

The paper quotes figures to substantiate the claim of general depression in business as far as the sugar market is concerned. In this connection it is stated: "Although there have been large shipments of sugars recently, —approximately 60,000 tons this month—there are still large stocks in the island and there is a fairly general tendency for sugar owners to stay out of the market hoping for a better price."

moving picture fraternity of Christiansted with some of the good things to which its faithful patronage would appear to entitle it, and as is now the privilege of those in our sister island to enjoy.

THEATRE-GOER.

St. Thomas News.

The latest mail from the U. S. which reached us yesterday afternoon by the "Parima", brought a sad letter to the family of Mr. and Mrs. William Miller. It is stated that their son, Randolph Cornelius ex-sergeant of the American Expeditionary Force which took active part in France, and whence he returned invalided, died at his home, in Chicago, at the age of 27 years.

Young Randolph was a very promising youth, and was expected home for a climatic change which was believed to be conducive to his recuperating. Besides his family here, he is mourned by a widow and son, with whom we are very much in sympathy. —The Bulletin, Aug. 12th.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, Aug. 12th. —Figures given out this week on the unemployment situation show a falling off of 42,000 in the number of people unemployed.

Cleveland Ohio, Aug. 13th. —Peach of Australia won the first singles match in the Davis Cup tennis games between Australia and Denmark at the Mayfield country club courts here yesterday afternoon, by defeating Tegner in straight sets 7-5, 6-2, 6-4. Peach had the advantage in his knowledge of the grass courts, while Tegner showed lack of experience on the grass. Tegner played an excellent game, while Peach was better on the long distance shots. Anderson of Australia defeated Ingerlev of Denmark in his straight sets in the second match of the day by a score of 6-1 7-5 giving the Australians a clean sweep in the first days play on the singles.

New York, Aug. 13th. —Official announcement that Soviet Russia has granted permission for all United States citizens to leave the country if they desire was made by M Tchitcherin, Soviet minister of foreign affairs, in a cable message received today by the magazine "Soviet Russia."

Lucerne, Aug. 13th. —The international metal workers conference has adopted a resolution calling for the stoppage of munitions as a means for ensuring world peace. The proposal was warmly supported by the British, French, Austrian and United States delegates.

Trinidad, Aug. 15th. —Spanish cruiser "España" from Colan arrived yesterday evening.