

EDITORIAL.

It has come to the knowledge of this paper that certain false impressions have been formed in connection with the publication of an article on the Virgin Islands reprinted in the Avis of September 30th., from the "Brooklyn Daily Eagle", it being circulated that the clipping reached us from or through the office of the Herald, the reason for this conclusion being based, it is understood, upon alleged references to the article by officers of the Herald at meetings held prior to the appearance of it in the Avis. This coincidence, if it may be called one, purports to represent the Avis as party to some conspiracy in connection with the publication of the article in question, and it is desired to say that the placing of such a construction upon the position of this paper is utterly wrong. The newspaper clipping was contributed by a friend having not the slightest association with the Herald; was lying in this office several days before it appeared in these columns during which time, as it now develops, it was read and spoken of by one of the staff, through which the news of its existence reached the Herald office and the editor of that paper called upon us with request to be allowed to read it. These are the facts regarding how the clipping came into our hands and how it came to be known of through us, so to speak, before it was set up.

The proprietor of the St. Croix Electric Plant, Mr. Ans. Fabio, has requested us to solicit the kind forbearance of consumers of electricity who are assured that it is very much regretted that it has been impossible to supply current these last few nights owing to engine trouble. It now proves necessary to secure a new engine and until it is installed it will be possible only to supply enough current to light the streets. With a new engine present difficulties will be eliminated, and we trust that it will be available at an early date after which the lighting system should be greatly improved.

LOCAL.

Readers will note the three attractive episodes in "The Carter Case" advertised for tonight's show at the theatre. The last two serials have been drawing a crowded house at each exhibition; this is a sign that there is no lack of entertainment where the films are concerned.

The following is a list of the sailings of transatlantic steamers as published in the Nordlys of September 23, 1920:

SCANDINAVIAN AMERICAN LINE

<i>From Copenhagen</i>	<i>From New York</i>
Sept. 9th. Hellig Olaf	Sept. 30th.
" 23rd. Frederik VII	Oct. 14th.
" 30th. United States	" 21st.
Oct. 14th. Oscar II	Nov. 4th.
" 28th. Hellig Olaf	" 18th.
Nov. 11th. Frederik VIII	Dec. 2nd.

NORWEGIAN AMERICAN LINE

From New York
Oct. 29, St vangerfjord, Nov. 19, Bergensfjord; Dec. 10, Stavangerfjord.

SWEDISH AMERICAN LINE

From New York
Oct. 7th. Drottningholm, Oct. 28th. Stockholm, Nov. 18th Drottningholm, Dec. 9th. Stockholm, Dec. 30th Drottningholm.

CUNARD LINE

From New To The Most Important Danish, Norwegian, and Swedish Ports via Liverpool and Glasgow.

Aquitania, Mauretania, Imperator, Caronia Carmania, Kaiserin Auguste Victoria, Saxonia, Columbia, Royal George; boat leaves every week.

TELEGRAMS

ST. CROIX STATION.

Constantinople, Oct. 2nd.—The Sultan has written a letter to the Nationalists, imploring them to come to an agreement in order to have the Empire. According to reports circulating here today, Djemad Ferio Pacha, the Grand Vizier, is attempting to establish a virtual dictatorship in Constantinople, threatening with arrest all who oppose him.

Warsaw, Oct. 2nd.—North-east of Grodno the Polish forces have reached the river Ulla, half way on the road to Vilna, the capital of Lithuania, according to an official report on the operations of the campaign published today. The pursuit of the routed divisions continues and the Poles have captured 2,500 of the Soviet forces and taken one hundred cannon between the twentieth and thirtieth September.

Riga, Oct. 2nd.—The Poles have reached a temporary agreement with the Lithuanians at Suwalki and military operations have been suspended, according to press reports received here, which add that the Polish forces now occupy the river Ulla in the region north-east of Grodno.

Pittsburg, Oct. 4th.—Floreen Zelenska, arrested here yesterday in connection with the Wall Street explosion, is unable to account for his movements or explain the possession of dynamite. Department of Justice agents are conducting the investigation.

Honolulu, Oct. 3rd.—The Japanese military and naval forces are evacuating Nicolaievsk, Siberia. They are withdrawing to the northern part of Saghalien Island.

Washington, Oct. 3rd.—President Wil-

son made his first appearance in the campaign last night. He urged the improvement of waterways and endorsed the League of Nations.

San Salvador, Oct. 3rd.—Authorities of the Republics of Salvador and Honduras are prepared to suppress a revolutionary plan reported on the Northern Honduran coast.

MAKING DOCK REPAIRS.

Alterations are underway at Pier No. 1 to extend the entrance shoreward to the bulkhead line, a distance of about 20 feet. This will add to the office space upstairs. At the same time efforts are being made to obtain permission to extend the pier 26 feet out into the bay. If both extension are made considerable additional unloading space will be provided. During the alterations the offices of the Porto Rico Line temporarily are at 13 Comercio Street. *Porto Rico Progress, Sept. 24th.*

SUGAR STILL HELD FOR BETTER PRICE; NO EXPORTS

Retailers Hold Price at 25 and 26 Cents While Same Sugar in Bags is Offered at 15 and 16.

No sugar has been shipped from Porto Rico since the last week in August and sugar holders remain firm in their waiting for a better market.

Stocks in hand in the Island for export are still estimated at 80,000 tons.

While the price for raw sugar in New York still remains about 10c., there has been little or no reduction in the retail price of sugar in the Island. While it is reported that local white sugar may be purchased in hundred pound lots and more at 15 or 16c. a pound, the retail stores are still selling their local white sugars at 25 and 26c. per pound.

Having bought these sugars at high prices, the retailers so far have not felt any competition that would cause them to reduce their prices.

The Insular Government report of the sugar crop for 1920 issued this week shows an output of 485,070.79 tons, which is somewhat less than the production figures recently issued by J. Ruiz Soler, Secretary of the Sugar Producers Association, showing a production of 485,887 tons.

The government's report shows that there were 5,239,471.010 tons of cane ground. This would indicate an average sugar recovery of less than 10%.

The most striking difference in the Government's issue and the one issued by Mr. Soler is in the output of Guanica Central. The Soler figures gave Guanica a production of 60,097 tons while the government figures place the Guanica production at 59,064 tons. The Govern-