

The Chairman: Do I understand that the Honorable Member has withdrawn his motion?

4th Appointed Member (*Blackwood*): Yes, I withdraw the motion.

The Chairman: The motion is withdrawn.

The Chairman then read the Resolution substituted by 1st Appointed Member (*Henderson*) and which is as follows:

Colonial Council Bill No. 7.

Third Council, First Session, 1921-1922.

RESOLUTION

Be it resolved by the Colonial Council for St. Croix in session assembled:

1. That the travelling expenses for the Members of the Colonial Council when attending meetings of the Colonial Council be the same as those fixed according to the rules existing for Officials.

KENNETH HENDERSON,
1st Appointed Member.

3rd Appointed Member (*Armstrong*) would like to know what would happen if the Municipal Committee and the Colonial Council meeting takes place the same day whether members of the Council who are members of the Municipal Committee are to receive pay for attending both meetings?

2nd Member for Christiansted Town (*Canegata*): in answer to the last speaker said,—I promise you that as long as I am Chairman of the Municipal Committee that will not happen, if it does the amount will not be paid.

3rd Member for Christiansted Town (*Alexander*) agreed with 2nd Member for Christiansted Town (*Canegata*) and proposed that a clause be inserted in the Resolution that no members should receive pay for two meetings in one day.

2nd Member for Christiansted Town (*Canegata*) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I think the best thing to do is to bring in an amendment to the Rules of Business for the Municipal Committee that no meeting of the Committee be held on the same day there is Council meeting.

4th Appointed Member (*Blackwood*) remarked: Mr. Chairman. Business is liable to come up that may require a meeting of the Municipal Committee on the same day on which there is a meeting of the Council. That happened while I was Chairman of the Municipal Committee. It was no pleasure to us as we had to hurry so as to send in our recommendations. If the present Chairman of the Municipal Committee can use his influence to have it so arranged that there be no meeting of the Municipal Committee on the same day there is a Council meeting, that's alright, but I do not see any reason to change the Rules of Business for the Municipal Committee. I travel about forty miles to attend a meeting of the Council and receive Six

Dollars for travelling expenses, but I never complain. I am perfectly willing to receive what the others are receiving, and am always willing to work gratis as I have done on many occasions.

2nd Member for Christiansted Town (*Canegata*) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I want to say that what 4th Appointed Member (*Blackwood*) says will not apply, because the Rules of Business for the Municipal Committee provides that Members of the Committee must be given two days notice.

The Chairman remarked: I do not see that there is anything to be gained with this discussion, let us confine ourselves to the item on the Order Day. If Honorable Members have no further remarks to make on the Resolution I will close the discussion.

No one requesting the word further the discussion closed, the Secretary read the Resolution in its amended form and the Chairman put same to the vote.

It was unanimously adopted.

The Chairman then gave a recess of 10 minutes.

4th Member for Christiansted Country District (*Ramsay*) left the meeting during the recess.

After recess the Council reassembled and the Chairman brought up item 5.

(To be continued.)

LOCAL.

We have been asked to mention that there will be no concert on the Wharf Sunday evening, but on Wednesday evening August 14, the Native Brass Band will give a popular concert.

The S. S. "Parima" for New York due at Frederiksted Tuesday morning at 6 a. m.

CORRECTION.

In National Bank's Balance sheet published in yesterday's issue please read "Sparekasseindskud 3,957,754" instead of "3,967,754."

LUTH. CHURCH FREDSTED

The Rev. Geo. W. Critchlow will be the preacher at the 11 a. m. service on Sunday Aug. 21st 1921.—*Com.*

Correspondence

To The Voters For Christiansted Country District.

Dear Voters:

As the Government notice has informed you: the seat for 1st. Member for Christiansted Country District, is now declared vacant, and an election takes place on the 26th inst.

Beyond a doubt, the retired Member was really the right man in the right place; and we are bound to realize, that a very difficult task awaits us in endeavouring to fill that place with another, equally as good—nay, we may say that "that is an impossibility". In Lawyer A. E. Stakemann: to put it plainly in few words—we had an "Experienced Political Hero", "A Fearless Speaker and Debater" and a man whose knowledge and foresight of matters pertaining to his countrymen's weal or woe, bears comparison with the best known of the day, here or elsewhere.

But, Fate has determined it—and we must submit, and try our best, and seek to get into that Legislative Body men of some knowledge of the need of the times, men that have kept themselves posted, as to the matters which tend to the interest of the people or not, as the case may be. We do not want those who have to be taught the debating tricks of well-learned and experienced "Jacks of the Trade", but we want the man who is up to such, and can counterplot to suit. Sleepers and Drones will not do for these days. Silent men, whose only move is a wink or a nod, must be left out. Let us have active hustlers, clean tongued and clear brained.

According to the needed qualifications, my dear Friends and Voters—Let us vote for James Roberts—and we will have in, the best man to fight for the people's welfare, today and always.

Yours faithfully

A VOTER.

Christiansted, 19th Aug. 1921.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Belfast, August 15th.—The text of the Ulster Cabinet's observations on the British Government's proposal for peace in Ireland, signed by Sir James Craig, the Ulster Premier, was made public here last evening. The statement says that the acceptance by the Ulster leaders of the original invitation of the British Government to meet in conference with it in London, still holds good and that they will be available at any time their assistance is again desired. Sir James points out, however, that no meeting is possible between Mr. De Valera and himself until he recognizes that Northern Ireland cannot be subject to any other authority than of His Majesty the King and the Parliament of the United Kingdom, and admits the sanctity of the existing powers and privileges of parliament and government of Northern Ireland. The statement in part reads:—"My dear Premier, your proposals for an Irish settlement now have been exhaustively examined by my Cabinet and myself. We realize that the preamble is especially addressed to Mr. De Valera and his followers and observe that it im-