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THE EFFECTS OF DROUGHT IN JAMAICA.

From all parts of the West Indies there have been continuous complaints of the disappointing weather conditions during the year, and of the probable crop shortage that is almost sure to ensue. According to the *Journal of the Jamaica Agricultural Society*, April and May 1920, the dry weather has given an especially heavy blow to the local production of food crops in the island.

Special efforts have been made in Jamaica toward a large extension of the area planted in local food crops, and it is stated that never for several years has more efforts been made to plant such crops extensively than in the spring of this year. Food crops, especially corn and peas, were planted on a large scale by many proprietors who had never done so before, and, generally speaking, everyone who was in the habit of cultivating food crops planted still more.

Unfortunately the expected rains did not come, and the result has been that all crops have suffered very badly. In fact, most of the corn and peas, of which there was such extensive planting as with a good season would have made Jamaica independent of any importation of such articles, have been burned out. Taking the island all-round, it is computed that 80 per cent. of all corn, peas, and beans planted from February to April will yield nothing. Yams, which appear to be the most important food crop in Jamaica next to corn, have experienced a severe setback; a large proportion of the plants have been also so burned out that they cannot revive. Sweet potatoes, it is

expected, will spring again when rain comes, but the crop of this root will be late and poor, while slips for planting after rain will be very scarce.—*Agricultural News.*

Official Notice.

THE District Court for the Municipality of St. Croix Virgin Islands of the United States will hold the October Term of Court, which is one of the regular terms of the said District Court, for the transaction of such business as may be brought before it, as follows:—

For the Sub-judicial District of Frederiksted, Monday, Oct. 18th 1920 at 10 A. M. at the Fort.

For the Sub-judicial District of Christiansted, Wednesday, Oct. 20, 1920, at 10 A. M. at the Government House.

At which time and places all interested persons are notified to be present.

J. F. HENRY,
Clerk of the Court.

LIST OF UNCLAIMED MAIL FOR THE WEEK ENDING OCTOBER 2, 1920.

Evlyn Aggilla,
Ferdinand Andrew, Orange Grove,
Alonza Bayley,
Judith Benjamin,
Christle Chars, 23 Hill St.
Rafeil Donet,
Benjamin Gerard,
John Jackson, Gravel Pit Hill,
James Jacobs,
Rosaline James,
Maud Joshuer,
Olive Martin,
Dolly Mc Farland,
James Phillips, Hospital Street,
Emelia Schuster,
Simond Starling, Company Street,
Mary H. Taylor, Prince's Street.

Post Office, Christiansted, Virgin Islands, Oct. 4, 1920.

B. R. LARSEN,
Postmaster.

FOR SALE.

Lt. Princess, Golden Rock, Bellevue, Mt. Welcome and Eliza's Retreat.

EM. E. SVITZER.

Publication.

NOTICE is hereby given that the sum of Fres. 242.15, income on the invested capital of His Royal Highness Prince Valdemar's Wedding Memorial Fund for the benefit of worthy indigent persons in St. Croix, will be on hand for distribution on the 22nd October 1920.

Applications for participation in this distribution, duly certified, should be forwarded to the undersigned on or before October 12th 1920.

Despatching Secretary's Office, Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands of U. S. September 20th, 1920.

FRED. B. COLBY,
Despatching Secretary.

AUCTION.

AT the request of Lawyer Stakemann on behalf of MR. JOSEPH E. BOUGH as attorney to MISS SUSAN BOUGH will be offered for sale at a public auction to be held at the undersigned Office in Government House on

Thursday the 14th of October 1920

AT 3 O'CLOCK P. M.

The Property

No. 23 in Company Street in the Town of Christiansted.

Conditions for the sale, appraisal and other documents will be filed at the office and may be previously inspected at Lawyer Stakemann's Office in Christiansted.

Christiansted's Vendue Office, St. Croix, September 27th 1920.

Fee: Fr. 10.00 }
Say ten Francs }

WILH. JENSEN.

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A. E. STAKEMANN.