

the harbor improvement project will be held in Government House tomorrow, at 10 a. m. and those interested and intending to submit data are reminded of the occasion. It goes without saying that the necessity for having the channel entrance to this harbor adequately improved, and the anchorage properly dredged, cannot be too strongly recommended, and it is hoped that everyone who has the pride of his home-town at heart will take advantage of the opportunity of saying, or doing whatever is required to make this enterprise an accomplished fact.

The s. s. Lake Narka sailed from New York on Friday the 31st. Dec. 1920, having 250 tons of cargo for Frederiksted and 90 tons for Christiansted.

The next sailing from New York will be the "s. s. Tupper" on the 15th. inst.

The Creole is here today with St. Thomas and some English mails

OFFICIAL NEWS

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Judge, Frederick G. McKean, jr., was administered his oath of office by Governor Oman on December 31, 1920.

Michael J. Nolan, recently appointed by Governor Oman as Director of Police of the St. Thomas Police Force, entered upon duty on January 1, 1921, relieving Wesley Morningstar who was relieved from duty at his own request in order to re-enlist in the U. S. Marine Corps.

Jesse O. Leary, Boatswain Mate First Class, U. S. Navy, recently attached to the U. S. S. Vixen was appointed District Chief of Police by the Municipal Police Commissioner of St. Thomas on December 31, 1920, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of U. Lantz.

Government Attorney George A. Keyser who arrived in St. Thomas recently on Government business will return to St. Croix in a few days.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Auckland, Dec. 31st.—Australia lost her tennis laurels here this afternoon to the challengers from the United States. The Davis Cup, the trophy emblematic of the world's tennis champions changed hands when the last ball in the tenth game of the fourth set was driven out of the court. Australia has won this cup six times, the British Isles have been triumphant on five occasions, while today's victory makes the fourth time the United States have won it. Rallying after losing the first set of today's double matches, William Tilden of Philadelphia and Wm. Johnston of San Francisco, re-

vealed the same tennis wizardry that gave them victory in the singles matches yesterday. Their opponents, Norman Brooks and Gerald Patterson, fought desperately to stem the tide of defeat, but were outplayed clearly by the Americans. The match was a brilliant contest, an epic in the history of the game, played under a bright sky with the sun of southern Summer. The challengers lost the first set, 4 to 6 but took the three remaining sets 6 to 4, 6 to 0, and 6 to 4.

London, Jan. 1st.—On the New Year honours list published today appear the names of Sir William Henry Manning, to be G. C. M. G. and Major H. E. S. Cordeaux, Governor of the Bahamas, to be K. C. M. G.

London, Jan. 1st.—The London Times this morning quotes a statement made in Govt. circles that an attempt to obtain guarantees more effective than a mere truce for a cessation of hostilities in Ireland, have failed.

Melbourne, Aus., Dec. 31st.—The second test match between the English team and Australia began here today in very hot weather. As in the first game, England lost the toss. Armstrong of the Australians, seeing that the wicket was in excellent shape, elected to put his side in first. The score stood at 282 for six wickets at the end of the day's play.

London, Jan. 1st.—London's prosperous section hailed the advent of the new year with noisy gaiety surpassing anything seen since January 1st 1914. Outside of St. Paul's Cathedral there was the time honoured gathering of the poorer of the city and the crowd, perhaps larger than usual, was more decorous than it has often been. At the strike of twelve, the streets surrounding the ancient edifice were filled with a din of bagpipes, mouth organs, accordians, human voices, playing and singing "Auld Lang Syne".

London, Jan. 1st.—The post of Viceroy of India has been offered to Earl Reading, who it is believed, will accept the appointment, says the Daily Mail today. The appointment of a Chief Justice as Viceroy, however, the newspaper comments, would be unprecedented.

London, December 31st.—"Within six months two powerful parliaments will be working for Ireland for the amicable settlement of a question which has caused much illfeeling and misunderstanding between Great Britain and the United States, and thus will be opened the happiest chapter in the history of the English speaking peoples of the world". Thus spoke Sir Hamar Greenwood, Chief Secretary for Ireland, in an unexpected reference to Ireland at a dinner at the Bath Club tonight at which the Cornell Cross County runners were given farewell. Sir Hamar was proposing a toast to Lord Desborough, long famous in British athletic circles, who presided, when he gave what is considered an official

view of the passage of the Home Rule Bill, namely that south Ireland would accept the bill as a solution and work toward a harmonious union with Great Britain. The Chief Secretary declared he spoke with a full sense of his responsibility as a Canadian with Welsh, Irish and Rhodesian ancestry.

Paris, Jan. 1st.—It is semi-officially stated that the French Government has handed a note to the German Ambassador calling attention to the fact that Germany has not fulfilled her engagements entered into at the Spa conference. After declaring that the French Govt. has noted violations of the Spa agreement, the communications to the ambassador says the Allies will have to consider the matter.

London, Jan. 1st.—Dr. Sthamar, the German Ambassador, yesterday was summoned to the Foreign Office where he went into conference with Earl Curzon, the Foreign Secretary. The conversation which followed is said to have been especially directed towards the situation arising over Germany's failure to carry out the Spa agreement. Nothing official is forthcoming with regard to Great Britain's position in the new crisis, but it is generally understood that the Govt. is awaiting an important announcement from General Nollet, chief of the French military mission in Berlin and Marshal Foch's report.

NEW YORK, Jan. 3rd 1920.

Flour, Blended Clears St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. \$8.00.

Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$2.40

New Season's Pork per brl. \$37.00

Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$29.00

Sugar---Crystals maximum per 100 lbs. \$5.26.

Molasses Sugar 89° test, no quotation.
Cotton, Middling Upland, at Liverpool per lb. 8 74-100d.

Exchange, New York and London, 60 days' sight \$3.50

Exchange New York and London, sight \$3.53½

LONDON, Jan. 3rd 1920.

Sugar, Demerara Crystals, Govt. controlled price, duty paid 129s. 9d.

" Demerara Crystals free of control, duty paid, 60s. - 65s.

" Moscovado Govt. controlled price, duty paid, 124s. 9d.

" " free of control duty paid 31s. - 47s.

" " fine 75s.

German Beet 88°/c f.c.b. no sales.

White Java sugar cif United Kingdom nominal 5 0s. 0d.

Demerara Rum, per gal. nominal.

Trinidad Cocoa, Good Middling Red nominal per cwt 72s. 75s.

Cotton, Medium Fine Sea Island, at Liverpool per lb. nominal

Bank of England rate of Discount per cent. 7.

Consols 44½.

Three per cent rents in Paris Fcs. 57.55.

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