

NOTICE.

THE auction advertised for Saturday the 29th inst. of the Household Furniture, belonging to Dr. HUGHENS is hereby withdrawn and will therefore not take place as advertised.

Christiansted Auction Office, St. Croix,
May 27th 1920.

JOHN L. CURRY.

Fee Fr 5.00 }
Say Five Francs. }

WANTED TO KNOW

If it is correct that the price claimed as having been gained by shipment of cattle to Porto Rico has not actually been paid, as is declared to be the case, why the public has all this time been ruled to pay the higher price for fresh meat when that is supposed to be regulated according to the exchange on U. S. money? As matters stand if that price of cattle has not been paid the public has overpaid all along, and now the rate of exchange is much lower they are forced to pay it still, aren't the public being swindled?

CONSUMER.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

Delayed In Transmission.

Washington, May 13th.—Mr. Barnes, wheat director, today asked Govt. officials, leaders of Congress and representatives of Trunk line railways to meet him in conference here May 19th to consider plans to stabilize the world grain market after the termination of the United States grain corporation June 1st. Mr. Barnes referred to the danger of violent price fluctuations and added that the present situation was menacing not alone the grain handling, but the credit structure of the country and the resulting probable agricultural demoralization.

Rome, May 13th.—The super dreadnought Caracciolo was launched yesterday in the presence of Admiral Del Bono the commander of the naval department, the Bishop of Sorrente and several thousand spectators. The new super dreadnought is one of Italy's largest ships having a displacement of 54,000 tons. The motors, driven by naphtha, are of 70,000 horsepower and the speed of the warship is 29 knots.

Stockholm, May 13th.—The Kings of Norway and Denmark, Prince Arthur of Connaught the Earl of Onslow, representing the King of England, and the diplomatic representatives of other countries, attended the funeral services of the late Crown Princess this afternoon. Enormous crowds were massed along the flower strewn route from the Royal castle, where

the procession started shortly after two o'clock to the cathedral, where the services were celebrated by the Archbishop of Upsala and a British chaplain. Both Swedish and Anglican rituals were read. The cortege was headed by a squadron of Royal Life guards and the hearse was escorted by the Crown Princes Aides, the Crown Prince with his children immediately following. Hundreds of white clad girls carrying garlands of primroses, marched in the procession, flanked by lines of grenadiers. The church was profusely decorated, the catafalque being almost hidden by scores of wreaths from all parts of Sweden and neighbouring countries.

London, May 14th.—Nothing is yet disclosed as to the outcome of the conference between Viscount French, Viceroy of Ireland, and Mr. Bonar Law, the Govt. leader, and the cabinet council yesterday, on the new policy for Ireland. It had been hastily assumed that Mr. Bonar Law's very non-committal statement in the House of Commons on Wednesday meant the adoption of a stronger policy, but there are many indications that it would be equally safe to assume that the proposed change is in the direction of conciliation. The Govts. concession of an independent tribunal of judges, whose names Mr. Bonar Law promised should soon be published, to investigate the circumstances of Irish prisoners detained without trial, seems to point to this direction. Moreover, the new Irish secretary yesterday announced that since his appointment he had signed no deportation orders and had released many prisoners arrested on suspicion, among them Alderman O'Brien, Secretary of the Trade Union Congress. It is also worthy of note that there has of late been a surcease of nocturnal raids and less military display in Dublin.

London, May 14th.—Accepting at its face value the claim that the Sinn Fein has been trying to prove by speech and acts that an actual Irish republic is at war with the British Empire, the Government will abandon its present plan for handling crimes on the island. To this end all arms of the British army in Ireland are being tremendously strengthened. This applies especially to cavalry and motor machine-gun units. As soon as the force there is adequate it will be under the command of Sir Neville Mac Cready who will take over all police functions. In fact it was said that southern Ireland may then be placed under martial law. This would be nothing more or less than the Govt. troops would meet rifle and revolver fire with machine-guns and possibly shrapnel.

London, May 14th.—The German cabinet after a full discussion with ministers of the federal states decided unanimously that Germany should not send representatives either to the Spa or Brussels

conferences unless the French troops are entirely withdrawn from the main districts by May 16th., according to a central news despatch from Berlin today. It was urged that every pretext for the continued occupation by French forces had been removed.

London, May 14th.—An earthquake today shook the plateau in the region of Udine, according to a Rome despatch to the Exchange Telegraph Co. The people of several towns are camping out, the despatch adds, and the military have evacuated the Osoppo fort. No victims have been reported up to the present.

Sydney, May 14th.—The labour council after a heated debate decided not to participate in the welcome to the Prince of Wales on his forthcoming visit to New South Wales.

London, May 14th.—The Central News announced that the Moscow wireless station has recommenced operations after some days of silence and the first message was received in Reval. It is stated that the stoppage was due to a strict military censorship established in connection with the Polish successes in the Ukraine.

London, May 14th.—The Prince of Wales had a narrow escape today at Greymouth, N. Z., while motoring on a narrow dangerous road skirting a ravine in Buller Gorge, according to a despatch to the Central News. At one point the rear wheels of the Prince's motor car actually hung over the Gorge, but he did not turn a hair, the despatch adds.

Firth of Forth, Scotland, May 15th.—The German raider Moewe, which sunk so many ships during the war, has arrived here. It has been surrendered to the naval authorities.

London, May 14th.—That a special levy for revenue purposes on wealth accumulated in Great Britain during the war is administratively practicable is the decision of the parliamentary committee appointed in Feb'y. to consider the question. While deciding that the levy is practicable, the committee declines to express an opinion whether it would be advisable to impose it, thus throwing the onus of the decision on the Govt. Several plans devised by experts for effecting the levy were submitted to the committee, which considers one by the board of inland revenue the best. This plan estimated a yield of five hundred million pounds sterling. The chancellor of the exchequer often has declared in favour of a levy, although he is opposed to the general levy on capital which the labourites desire. Public opinion is much divided on the whole question.

Washington, May 14th.—The American Consul at Vera Cruz reported today that he had arranged for the departure of foreigners upon Carranza's train invested by revolutionary forces under a flag of truce. The British Consul at Vera Cruz and two Americans are on the train. The State Dept. was also informed