

Publication.

A SUPPLY of the St. Croix Code of Laws has been received and are for sale at the office of the Despatching Secretary at \$10 per copy.

Christiansted, St. Croix, Virgin Islands of United States, 12 August 1921.

C. W. FOX,
Despatching Secretary.

NOTICE.

WE regret having to notify, that the worldwide economic depression also is reflected upon our island and makes it imperative that changes in the economic conditions of the island are effected if the chief industry, the growing of sugar canes, shall be preserved for the future.

With the elimination of the high exchange on U. S. currency and the reduction in price on food from this and other causes, we find it, but reasonable under the circumstances, that the present scale of wages brought about by the exchange situation and the high cost of living a couple years ago, be adjusted.

However, in order to enable the willing and efficient worker to earn a fair day's wage, we the undersigned sugar concerns on and from August 22nd, will readopt on our estates the schedule of task work embodied in the agreement of August 15th. 1917, worked out in co-operation with the Government, the laborers and the planters, with the exception, that the day's task be based on 65 cents instead of 50 cents for 9 hours work. When this schedule is not applied the day's wage shall be 50 cents for 9 hours work.

WEST INDIAN SUGAR FACTORY.

ESTATE LA GRANGE.

ST. CROIX SUGAR FACTORY.

August 12th. 1921.

PURSUANT to Ordinance of August 19th 1874 it is hereby made known that I have received announcement from the Concern "DEN VESTINDISKE SUKKERFABRIK" that from August 9th 1921, the Power of Attorney held by MR. P. ADAMSEN is revoked, and that from the said date MR. VIGGO WULFF is authorized to sign jointly with MR. F. ANDERSEN, for the above concern, "DEN VESTINDISKE SUKKERFABRIK."

C. H. PAYNE.

NOTICE

MUSIC will be introduced in the Public Schools of St. Croix in September and two Music Teachers will be employed by the Department of Education.

Any person desiring to apply for the above position to teach Music should do so in writing to the Assistant Director of Education for St. Croix prior to September 1, 1921.

In order that the most capable people may be selected an examination will be given all applicants soon after the first of September 1921.

For the Director of Education,
ARTHUR E. LINDBORG.
Asst. Director of Education.

EDITORIAL.

Mr. Clifford Adams has shown us correspondence from Carl Fischer, Music Publishers in New York, quoting estimates for repairing and putting instruments of the Industrial Brass Band in good condition. The amounts will reach a hundred dollars perhaps, and it is hoped that the organization will receive the necessary public support to enable the carrying out of the plans which would place the band on a substantial footing as far as instruments are concerned.

A notice published in this issue announces that the Department of Education wishes to engage tutorship in music which is an additional subject to be taught in the public schools after September 1st. Here appears to be an opportunity for those of the Nav. Band who had taken courses and passed examinations with Colleges of Music in the States from which they have received credentials as teachers. This move is very much to be commended being, apart from the immediate advantage it offers, an indication of the thoroughness of the work in the public schools which formerly were purely elementary. Music has a great power to refine while at the same time it opens opportunity to those qualified in the study of it. At this moment news also reaches us that the St. Croix Graded Grammar School (formerly Richmond High School) is acquiring an organ to be used in connection with vocal music lessons which for some time have been on the curriculum of that institution.

LOCAL.

We have been asked to mention that the Native Brass Band will give a concert on the Wharf Sunday evening.

The S. S. Parima from New York did not arrive at Frederiksted until 6 p. m.

yesterday. She brought only one sack of mail consisting of about a dozen letters it is advised and 1,759 packages for Frederiksted and 269 packages for Christiansted and will sail for the islands this afternoon at 3 p. m.

The Mystery is in Frederiksted. Mails later.

The S. S. Pulwico is looked for in Frederiksted tomorrow. She is reported to have a large mail.

There were appreciable rain showers last night.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, Aug. 8th.—The House of Commons today by a vote of 237 to 62 passed the third reading of the railway bill, which provided for the payment of 60,000,000 pounds as compensation to the railways on the withdrawal of Government control this month and also for a new grouping of the railways for economic working and various reforms, including a settlement of the freight rate question and wages.

Paris, Aug. 9th.—M. Briand, the French Premier, announced to the Supreme Council this afternoon that the British Prime Minister, Mr. Lloyd George, and he were engaged in principles on the Upper Silesian boundary and that it remained for the experts to draw the exact line, which would be on a basis of giving equal value to the votes cast in the recent plebiscite whether Polish or German, and whether in mining, industrial or rural townships. "If we examine the result of the plebiscite against way", said M. Briand, indicating broadly the principle the experts must follow, "there is no doubt that the German mass is in the West and the Polish mass in the East of Upper Silesia. Thus, geographically speaking the solution is easy to be seen, and even obligatory". The members of all the delegations feel a relief tonight that the only entanglement which has been threatening to wreck the peace of Europe, has been solved by the spirit of mutual conciliation and good will which the French and British Premiers displayed in their private meeting on Sunday and Monday nights. The belief is held here that Poland and Germany will accept the settlement, although grumblingly, and that if disorders should break out, they will be suppressed by the Allies.

Paris, Aug. 9th. Optimism with regard to the Irish negotiations was expressed today at the headquarters of the British delegation to the Supreme Council. Mr. Lloyd George regards the meeting of the Dail Eirann, set for next Tuesday, as the most important step taken thus far in the negotiations, it was stated today at the headquarters of the