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Information reached us yesterday to the effect that the La Grange concern consisting of the plantations La Grange (proper), Prosperity, William, Punch, Wheel of Fortune, Two Brothers, Mars Hill, Jolly Hill, and other land, and an up-to-date sugar mill on the first-named estate, was acquired by purchase yesterday by Messrs. G. B. and G. A. Fleming of Est. Högensborg and Dir. Oluf Olsen of St. Croix Sukkerfabrik for the sum of \$105,000. This is good news and encouraging news at this particular time. We wish the new owners a remunerative proprietorship in their own and in the interest of the island in general.

'Twas the absentees who lost a rare treat which was afforded the audience at St. Mary's Hall last night in the presentation of "The River's End" which proved a drama of exceptional features, and super-attractive cast holding the undivided attention of the onlooker throughout. A fine film, a special program, a screen production that should be seen by all admirers of art, and we have said as little as we can about it. Owing to several private parties through which a number of regular and appreciative patrons were necessarily absent from St. Mary's last night it is suggested to the management that "The River's End" be repeated at early convenience for the benefit of those who would otherwise miss the opportunity of seeing it.

It is understood that the S. S. Parima from New York is looked for in Frederiksted this afternoon.

An anniversary service of the Luther League will be held in the Lutheran Church at 7.30 o'clock this evening, to which all friends are cordially invited.

We wish to thank Mr. Carl Schou for a copy of Mac Donald's almanac for 1923, an interesting and popular manual for farmers and others, for sale at Mr. Schou's shop.

Correspondence

Dear Mr. Editor:

Wasn't the amount voted by the Council toward purchase of the factory \$104,000? Why does Mr. Leevy refer to

it as \$50,000? And didn't the purchasing company know what Mr. Leevy writes when they offered \$83,000? Haven't weather conditions also improved since that time? With thanks for space,

Yours

JIGGS.

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION

London, Oct. 28th.—The election campaign has now reached the stage where there are such a number of political speeches and pronouncements that it is becoming almost a physical impossibility for the newspapers either to report or follow them. Mr. Asquith and Mr. Winston Churchill were the two figures engaging attention today. Mr. Asquith, who has been rather slow in getting into action delivered his first important campaign speech at Peterborough. His address was devoted chiefly to criticizing the Government's shortcomings and the new Bonar Law ministry.

London, Oct. 28th.—A second court-martial, arising from the stranding of the "Raleigh", opened at Portsmouth yesterday on Captain Bromley, charged with negligently or by default having stranded and lost his ship. It is alleged that the accused was to blame for maintaining a speed of twelve knots under the weather conditions then prevailing and for not causing soundings to be commenced sooner. Captain Bromley pleaded not guilty. The result of the findings of the court-martial was that he be reprimanded and dismissed from his position in the service. The defendant submitted that had amour and ferrol points been correctly charted the Raleigh would not have past 3.9 cables to the westward of the point on which she actually stranded. He submitted that he had no reason to doubt the accuracy of the charts supplied him for navigation purposes.

Paris, Oct. 28th.—The Council of Ambassadors has decided that the question whether the Kiel Canal shall be open to the vessels of the world in time of war shall be returned to the international court of justice. Germany claims that free passage is not demanded by the treaty of Versailles. The discussion of this subject between the Allies and Germany has already lasted a year.

Paris, Oct. 29th.—M. Franklin Bouillon has refused the nomination as French delegate to the Near East peace conference. In a letter addressed to M. Poincare he states that his refusal is due to the British newspaper campaign directed against him. He recalls to M. Poincare that at the time when war appeared certain in the Near East he had succeeded in warding it off, but the campaign of the British press indicated that there was no desire in England to understand his reasons and that the attacks, which had evidently been inspired, continued. Consequently, by retiring from the lime-

light he considered he was rendering the best service to his country. M. Poincare in replying, said, "I appreciate the scruples dictated by your patriotism, although none of our Allies, as you are aware, could be so inebriate as to attempt to influence the nominations to the conference at Lausanne, which the Government will make in complete independence. The Premier renewed his thanks and congratulations to M. Franklin-Bouillon for the work he had already performed, and added, "it was in complete agreement with the former British cabinet that I sent you to Smyrna. You very efficiently served the desire of France for peace, for which you have my profound gratitude."

Washington, Oct. 28th.—The invitation from the European powers requesting the United States to send a representative to the Near East peace conference at Lausanne, reached here today through diplomatic channels, but there was some delay in presenting it officially to the State Department. The British Ambassador was the first to receive his copy and he proceeded to make arrangements with the French and Italian Ambassadors that they present it together to the State Department, but the two latter were absent from Washington, most of the members of the French Embassy having gone to New York to welcome M. Jusserand.

Constantinople, Oct. 28th.—The invitation to the Near East Conference, which should commence at Lausanne on November 13th, was handed this evening to Hamid Bey, the Nationalist representative. He expressed his regrets that the conference was not to be held in a Turkish city. The Turks will go to Lausanne, although it will be difficult for the delegates to keep touch with the National Assembly at Angora.

Geneva, Oct. 28th.—The Federal police have issued a warrant against Bela Kun, late head of the Hungarian Soviet Government. Shortly after the war he escaped to Switzerland under the name of Adler.

Athens, Oct. 28th.—Greece has accepted an invitation from the Allies to send representatives to the forthcoming Near Eastern peace conference at Lausanne. She will be represented by M. Venezelos and the Greek Ministers at London and Paris. General Mazanakis will attend as military expert.

Constantinople, Oct. 28th.—The Govt. of the Sultan has accepted the Allied invitation to the Near Eastern peace conference.

London, Oct. 28th.—Special telegrams from Italy announce the concerted movement by the fascisti against several towns. It is stated that Florence, Pisa, Cremona and other towns have been occupied by them after deposing the authorities.

Paris, Oct. 28th.—Telephonic advices received from Rome state that the Italian Cabinet has been in session since mid-