

CHRISTIANSTED THEATRE

8.30 THURSDAY EVENING 8.30

"A Real Sensation"

"A MOST EXTRAORDINARY PRODUCTION"

Powerful, Thrilling And Exciting From Beginning To End

"The Sleeping Lion"

A Six Reel Universal Feature

This is a picture taken from real life in the Italian quarter in New York and the Wild West and is of the most sensational kind.

The Production is literally filled with picturesque effects, splendidly portrayed, touching the heart strings.

You can simply not afford to miss this performance where you see the father and motherless small boy being saved by an Italian sculptor from falling into the hands of the police and later following the sculptor to the wild west after being adopted by him

ADMISSION:

Reserved Seats 40c.
General Entrance 20c.

Lecture.

There will be a lecture in Sunday Market on FRIDAY NIGHT, 5th inst., at 8 o'clock.

Subject:—"WHAT IS MAN"

Speaker:—

A. C. BOUGH

All are cordially invited.

Revd. Wolter begs to thank all who have contributed towards the purse presented to him last Sunday. We also thank the members and friends for the sympathy and kindness shown to him during his sickness. All these tokens of love and goodwill are highly appreciated and will not be forgotten.

Friedenstahl, March 1st 1920.

We have been asked to mention that the Christiansted Native Brass Band will give a concert on the Wharf Friday evening, 5th. inst. Program later.

OFFICIAL NEWS.

March 2, 1920.

Governor Oman returned from St. Croix on the U. S. S. Vixen last evening.

The U. S. S. Henderson sailed from Charleston, S. C., last Friday on her trip to West Indian ports and is due in St. Thomas about March 10th.

Correspondence.

The delegates of the Virgin Islands Protective League received the following cablegram yesterday,

"Return immediately, letter follows with information."

(Signed)

ROBERTS.
New York.

Feb. 10, 1920.

42 West 132 St.
New York.
N. Y.

Editor St. Croix Avis.
Christiansted, St. Croix,
Virgin Island, U. S. A.

Dear Sir:—

There appeared in the Herald of the 24th ultimo an article bearing the caption "The Virgin Islands Protective League in New York and the work of its Delegates here", in which the Editor of said paper, by statements and inferences, attempts to cast a reflection on the aims, objects, and purposes of the Virgin Islands Protective League.

Even though we have our Delegates in the Island, whom we feel confident are able to defend the principles of the League of which they are the founders, we none the less feel it a duty incumbent upon us as a body to refute those statements, and condemn those inferences in which the distinguished Editor attempts to cast a reflection upon our organization by misrepresentation.

First, the gentleman inferred and stated that he had promised the League through its members his "Wholehearted Support". We wish to state very emphatically that said statement is an unqualified falsehood, for three official letters were sent to him by our correspondence department soliciting his cooperation, and all have been ignored. To none did he respond. Said silence was so ominous, that we logically concluded that he was totally indifferent to our movement, if not absolutely opposed to it.

Secondly, in his attempt to calumniate our Delegates and leave a lasting stigma on our cause, he cast all gentlemanly principles to the winds, and published private letters that were written to him at a time when reports of atrocities and abuses in the Islands, came to us thick and fast, and caused us to use caustic assertions, against those whom, according to reports, were responsible for same.

May we ask right here in justice to all concerned: what man or woman in whose breast there is respect, dignity and honor, that would remain mute, callous, and indifferent at such a time, and not voiced his or her protest in the most rabid language?

Thirdly, taking the pugnant letters of Miss Hendrickson and others coupled with the "overdrawn and in many cases false statements" of the News Papers, the Editor could have rendered the League the invaluable service which he claims to have promised, by correcting the false report, (if false they were), rather than "look upon the activities of the League with suspicion". The article he referred to in the New York Call on July 28, 1919, should not have taken so much of his "breath away", as not to allow him at least to correct the misstatement and misinformation, that were made and sent to the League, especially as he claims to have proffered it "wholehearted" support".

I have always made it a point to stick to facts as I know them, and state them honestly, says the learned gentleman. Forsoothe! Did not a splendid occasion present itself in which to manifest that spirit by correcting an erroneous statement which would cause other well meaning people to be led astray? But we are inclined to believe that the attitude of silence maintained, was in order that the League to which he had promised his "wholehearted support", should labor under false impression, so far as he was concerned, and that at an opportuned time take advantage to cast reflection upon it.

Concluding, the writer asserts that to his mind and the mind of the majority of the population more harm than good had been done by the visit of the Delegate. That remains to be seen, and his prematured conclusion the near future, will prove to the contrary not withstanding.

For this distinguished Editor? to assert and affirm that the entire field had already been covered, would be ridiculous, were it not that so great a principle