

The Porto Rican tug "Jorge Bird Leon" arrived here yesterday with a lighter in tow, to take a cargo of cattle to Fajardo, P. R.

The exhibition of the popular serial entitled the "Purple Mask" was concluded at the theatre last night when a tolerably fair audience was present and enjoyed a pleasant evening.

Sub. Chaser No. 111 arrived here yesterday noon and returned in the afternoon taking a small mail.

The Red Cross workers held a meeting yesterday afternoon at which it was decided to establish work among and for the benefit of the poor locally. A soup kitchen at which destitute people will obtain at least one meal a day is among the plans; and to raise funds for starting the work a sale will be held at the Society's headquarters on Monday Sept. 1, to which the support of the community is invited.

#### SHOULD DIVORCED PEOPLE TO BE ALLOWED TO MARRY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES?

This depends upon whether marriage is a crime. If it is not a crime, why should any penalty be attached? Can one conceive of any reason why a woman obtaining a divorce, without fault on her part, should be compelled as a punishment to remain forever single? Why should she be punished for the dishonesty or brutality of another? Why should a man who faithfully kept his contract of marriage, and who was deserted by an unfaithful wife, be punished for the benefit of society? Why should he be doomed to live without a home?

There is still another view. We must remember that human passions are the same after as before divorce. To prevent remarriage is to give excuse for vice.

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#### WEATHER REPORT.

San Juan, Bar. 30.04, Ther. 78, E. 20 partly cloudy.

St. Thomas, Bar. 30.04, Ther. 78, N. E. 12 partly cloudy.

St. Kitts, Bar. 30.78, Ther. 78, N. E. 88 partly cloudy.

Dominica, Bar. 30.94, Ther. 80, N. E. 88 cloudy.

St. Lucia, 30.90, Ther. 72, N. E. 66 rain.

Barbados, 30.92, Ther. 76, S. 10 cloudy.

Port of Spain, Bar. 30.92, Ther. 74, N. E. partly cloudy.

St. Croix, Bar. 30.11, Ther. 86, E. partly cloudy.

Rainfall for past 24 hours, 0.

#### TELEGRAMS

##### ST. CROIX STATION.

Berlin, Aug. 15th.—Associated Press. A letter from Field Marshal Hindenburg to Prince Maximilian of Baden, Chancellor at the time of the signing of the armistice, concerning the beginning of the submarine warfare printed here today, seeks to show that Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg, who was Chancellor at the time, had little confidence in President Wilson's peace intervention and that the submarine war directly crossed the efforts then going on to bring about peace. The Field Marshal states that Dr. Bethmann-Hollweg objected to the submarine warfare on the ground that it would imperil Germany's relations with neutrals, and that Hindenburg replied that the supreme army council was solely responsible whether the U-Boat warfare should be conducted or not, and that he, Hindenburg, would proceed in a full feeling of responsibility for the victorious outcome of the war, regardless of the Chancellor's opinion.

Stockholm, Aug. 15th.—A Bolshevik press despatch received from Petrograd today gives the results of the last Soviet elections in that city. Of 1,275 Deputies elected, 896 were Communists. The despatch adds that only about half of the population voted, and that the majority of these are employed by the Soviet Govt., the remaining half being eliminated from the voters lists on the ground that they were Bourgeoisie or counter-revolutionists.

New York, Aug. 15th.—The Central and South American Republics soon will rank second only to Mexico as oil producing countries, according to Mr. Griffiths of Pittsburg, who arrived here after a trip through those countries for the New York oil interests. The output of oil which these tropical countries will yield in the next few years will bring about a marked decline in the prices of gasoline in the United States, he asserted. In Columbia the development of oil fields is just beginning.

London, Aug. 15th.—The King has given his assent to the bill passed by Parliament ratifying the German Peace Treaty.

Paris, Aug. 15th.—Full satisfaction is given to Rumania in regard to the exercise of authority at Budapest, in the reply made by the Supreme Council to the Rumanian note, according to the Temps. The Commission of Four Allied Generals at Budapest will deliver the peace conference instructions to the Rumanian Civil Commissary and Military Commanders at that city, and these Rumanian commanders will be charged with the execution of these directions. An agreement concerning the disposition of all material taken in Hungary by the Rumanians, according to the Temps, will be reached by the Rumanian Govt. and the Allies.

Londonderry, Ireland, Aug. 15th.—

Troops manned the walls of Londonderry today for the first time since the historic siege of the city in 1689, in a military effort to prevent a Nationalist and Sinn Fein demonstration and procession set for today, the demonstration having been forbidden by the British Commander, General Hackett Paine. The Orangemen and Unionists, it is said, have declared their determination not to permit the holding of a parade which they term anti-British.

London, Aug. 15th.—A number of members of the House of Commons representing Irish districts left for Ireland last night, after it was announced that the Govt. had decided to suppress all Sinn Fein and kindred organizations in County Clare, owing to increased disorders there. A proclamation declaring all Sinn Fein organization and the Irish volunteers in County Tipperary to be unlawful was issued from Dublin Castle on July 7th.

Copenhagen, Aug. 15th.—An advance on Petrograd by the Anti-Bolshevik forces, which it is hoped will be decisive, is announced in a message received here from Helsingfors. The attacking forces are commanded by General Judanitch, whose Russian volunteer troops will be supported by Estonians.

London, Aug. 15th.—A further Bolshevik retirement is announced by the Soviet Govt. in a wireless despatch dated August 14th., received here today. In the direction of Borisoff, the message said, the Bolshevik troops retired to new positions, and after three days' fighting they abandoned Rovno and Sarny, 53 miles north of Rovno, and the town of Migorod, but in the Troitsk region, where the forces of Admiral Kolchek have been retiring, it was said that the Soviet forces had advanced 56 miles. The abandonment of Sarny and Rovno shows a steady retirement of the Bolshevik forces in Volhynia, where on August 12th. the anti-Bolshevik forces had reached Lutsk and Bubno, about 50 miles west of Sarny and Rovno.

Warsaw, Aug. 15th. An official communication dealing with the operations of the Polish forces in the Minsk region of Russia says, "We are pursuing on the whole front, the enemy is retreating and we have reached a line 25 kilometres north of Minsk".

San Juan, Porto Rico, Aug. 25th.—Cable between here and St. Thomas interrupted at noon today. Mail opportunity from San Juan up to closing 27th.

St. Croix, Aug. 25th.—Chartered vessel will leave here 6 p. m. on 26th, for St. Thomas taking all telegrams on hand.

NEW YORK, Aug. 20th 1919.  
Flour, Blended Clear St. Lawrence Brand pr. brl. \$10.25.

Meal, Kilndried per 100 lbs \$4.85

New Season's Pork per brl. \$58.00

Heavy Mess Pork per bbl. \$56.00

Sugar---Crystals (Confirmed by Brokers) per 100 lbs. \$7.28.