

A temporary headquarters will be opened where the workers may meet Mr. and Mrs. Tibbitts at any time. All of those interested are invited to call on them immediately upon their arrival. Those wishing to help in the music are invited to join the adult chorus, including all those sixteen years of age and over. Two choirs will be formed one for girls and another for boys; between the ages of twelve and sixteen. An orchestra will also be organized and the assistance of all those who play instruments will be greatly appreciated.

A special hymn book, which is used by the Gospel Volunteers of the world, entitled "Jubilate" will be supplied. It contains many beautiful, classical and spiritual hymns of the highest order and is in constant demand in many of the cities and towns throughout the United States, England and the colonies.

Mr. Tibbitts is visiting St. Thomas early in order to investigate the advisability of making our island the winter headquarters for the members of the National Camp and Health League. These number over seven thousand, and many will join Mr. and Mrs. Tibbitts in January if accommodations can be provided.—*St. Thomas Mail Notes, Dec. 3rd.*

At or about 8.30 last evening, while at the residence of Lionel Blackwood Joseph Maddicks was wounded in the leg by Mathias Andrew who had a 38-calibre revolver, which revolver was not licensed by the Police Department.

Mathias was arrested by the Director and Chief of Police and the revolver was taken from Blackwood, in whose possession it was found.

Mathias Andrew was arranged in Police Court this morning and fined fifty dollars on the charges of having an unlicensed revolver in his possession. He was then released on recognizance, pending the developments of the wound of Maddicks.—*St. Thomas Mail Notes Dec. 5th.*

MONSTER MASS MEETING IN NEW YORK CITY.

To-morrow at 3 o'clock precisely the Virgin Islands Protective League will conduct a Monster Mass Meeting for "the purpose of bringing to the notice of the American public the conditions existing in America's latest possessions, conditions that run counter to the fundamental laws of this Government"—so declares a circular we received recently.

Mr. Roger N. Baldwin of the American Civil Liberties Union, Miss J. C. Colcord of the American Red Cross who recently left these shores, Richard B. Moore, Frank R. Crosswaith of the Socialist Party, Louis A. Jeppe, the distinguished colored Mason, Alexander Rahming, A. F. Harding, A. C. Pedro, president of the Virgin Islands Trading Company and Miss A. C. Burnet, at present a law student, will address the gathering.

A two days Unity Conference of sons and daughters of these rocks will follow on Monday and Tuesday respectively.

Judging from the make up of the speakers, we can assure our readers that only matters of a constructive nature, positively along lines American will be discussed.

The Governor and his entire staff are held in high esteem by this League and its friends; therefore we hope to publish soon an account of its proceedings for the entertainment of our readers.—*The Emancipator, Dec. 3rd.*

TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, Dec. 5th.—Considerable discussion is being heard here concerning the reduction of the Cavalry Branches of the military service, in the interests of economy, the resultant saving being estimated at £100,000 yearly. The first and second lifeguards are to be limited to two squadrons and the royal horseguards to three. The economists declare that the air force has largely superseded the cavalry in the performance of many war functions and that the retention of seven squadrons of household troops will supply the necessary traditional ceremonial offices associated with the royal entourage, for which the British public admittedly entertain a healthy affection. Other contemplated economies, include the abolition of the mounted branch officers training corps at Oxford and Cambridge Universities and the school non-commissioned officers aspiring for commissions. The whole system of army vocational training, which is intended for fitting soldiers for their return to civil life, is being threatened, many critics assert. They claim that before these changes become operative, attention ought to be given to the actual cost of every directing department at the war office and they allege that a most flagrant waste in man power would be found at headquarters.

Washington, Dec. 5th.—Dr. Tyau, secretary general of the Chinese delegation to the conference and Minister to Cuba, today cabled to Peking his resignation as a member of the delegation, in protest against the "negative results" thus far achieved concerning China's demands. Dr. Tyau told the associated press tonight that in resigning he acted without consulting the three Chinese delegates and his action represented his personal views. The delegation was notified after the telegram had been sent to the Chinese Govt.

Washington, Dec. 5th.—The question of a three or four power agreement to replace the Anglo-Japanese alliance is demanding increased attention among the arms delegates, while they wait for Japan to define her position on the naval ratio. The latest suggestion contemplating an entente to include Great Britain,

the United States, Japan and France, has developed to the point where a tentative treaty draft is under consideration in some quarters, although it has not been formally presented to the conference. There are indications that the Japanese delegation and perhaps the British as well, are consulting their home Govts. on such a proposition, at the same time that they are seeking for further instructions in regard to the naval ratio. On the part of the United States Government there apparently is no disposition to entertain an entente proposal, at least at the present stage of the negotiations. Later such a suggestion may receive consideration, provided it includes no requirements counter to public opinion in the United States.

Belfast, Dec. 5th.—News of the agreement between the Imperial and the Sinn Fein delegates in London was published in the late editions of the Belfast morning newspapers. The Northern Whig says editorially, "until it is known how the terms originally rejected by the Sinn Feins have been modified, so as to secure their acceptance judgment should be suspended."

London, Dec. 5th.—Sir James Craik of Ulster, has before him the further proposals for an Irish peace settlement, which he announced last week he must receive by today, or declare the peace parleys at an end. An agreement was reached by the British cabinet members and Sinn Fein delegates at an early hour this morning and a copy of the modified terms, which are subject to the action of Parliament and the Dail Eireann, was immediately despatched to Sir James by special messenger. The agreement, after a session which lasted more than three hours, came to a sudden and unexpected justification of the hopes expressed, following a day of conferences during which it was at one time understood that the negotiations had been definitely broken off and that only questions of continuing the truce in Ireland remained to be considered. Nothing thus far has been learned as to the exact modifications in the Government's terms. There was no reference to Ulster or partition in the official statement issued from Downing Street. The new developments came so late that only three or four editions of the morning newspapers carried the announcement and in these the news appears in company with reports and comments on the situation written hours previously. These said that the position was as grave and anxious as ever, except for the fact that the conversations were still in progress.

Ottawa, Dec. 6th.—After ten years in opposition the Liberal Party was again returned to power. In the new house Mr. MacKenzie King will have a clear majority over all parties. Progressives stand second and the Government Party third.