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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

London, Jany. 12th.—The King has granted a general amnesty "in respect to political offences committed in Ireland prior to the operation of the truce last July", it was officially announced today. The release of prisoners will begin at once. The text of the proclamation which was issued by Mr. Winston Churchill, reads: "The King has been pleased, at the moment when the provisional Irish Govt. is due to take office, to grant a general amnesty with respect to all offences committed in Ireland from political motives prior to the operations of the truce of July 11th. The release of prisoners, to which the amnesty applies, will begin forthwith. It is the King's confident hope that this action of oblivion will aid in powerfully establishing relations of friendship and good will between the people of Great Britain and Ireland". Figures given out in Dublin on Wednesday night showed that 1010 persons who probably would come under the classification of political prisoners were still in confinement, this number included twenty charged with murder, 121 attempted murder, 478 possessing arms and 226 with crimes of violence, the others being held on minor charges. A few Sinn Féin prisoners are under sentence of death, according to recent Belfast advices, including the sixteen men in jail there whose execution had been set for the latter part of January. The men under confinement in the Irish internment camp were released in December.

Washington, Jan. 12th.—Mr. Arthur

Balfour, head of the British delegation of the arms conference, reiterated his support of Zionist aspiration in an address last night at a reception in the British Embassy to the Zionist organization of America. Referring to his declaration in November 1917 as Secretary for Foreign Affairs, the support of the British Govt. to the establishment of a Jewish national homeland in Palestine, Mr. Balfour said "I stand now where I stood then. You must do your work here." He declared "the British Govt. is doing its work in Palestine. The two must cooperate, they must show diplomacy. They must show no undue haste and there must be no moments of slackening in the endeavour to complete the work which after all we must frankly agree is only just begun."

St. Vincent, Jan. 12th.—Major the Hon. Edward Wood received deputations of the unofficial members of the Legislative Council of St. Vincent Chamber of Agriculture and Commerce, and the Citizens Committee with whom was associated the St. Vincent R. C. Association, in the Council Chamber today. He afterwards addressed a public gathering in the grounds of the Court House. The deputations were accorded a most courteous hearing, and the Under Secretary in his replies promised to give the points raised his utmost consideration. At 1 p. m. he was the guest of the citizens at a lunch at the Carnegie Hall and after this function the Citizens Committee took the visitors for a drive along the windward coast where at several points arches and addresses of welcome marked the route. H. M. S. "Valerian", leaves for Barbados tonight.

London, Jan. 12th.—Following telegram from the Pope to King George, congratulating him upon the conclusion of the Anglo-Irish treaty, was made public here tonight. "Overjoyed at the agreement happily reached regarding Ireland I congratulate your Majesty warmly on having contributed effectively to this great work of peace." "I thank your Holiness warmly for the kind message which afforded me sincere gratification".

Geneva, Jan. 12th.—The dispute between Poland and Lithuania over Vilna, came before the Council of the League of Nations today. The situation in Albania and Danzig also was on the programme, but the Vilna problem held chief place. It is one of the most difficult problems confronting the council.

London, Jan. 12th.—George's Carpen-

tier, the French heavy weight Champion, tonight knocked out George Cook, the Australian in the fourth round.

London, Jan. 12th.—Mr. Thomas Lough former Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Education, died today.

New Items On Postal Affairs;

FURNISHED BY THE POSTMASTER AT CHRISTIANSTED.

The issue of \$5 war-savings stamps, and thrift stamps was discontinued on December 31, 1921, and their sale ceased on that date.

The 1922 issue of Treasury-savings certificates will take the place of war savings and thrift stamps, and may be obtained in denominations of \$25; \$100; and \$1000; at \$20; \$80; and \$800 respectively. A new stamp of \$1 denomination, non-interest bearing, known as a Treasury-savings stamp is also for sale, and when 20 of these stamps are affixed to a Treasury-savings card, the same will be accepted in exchange for a \$25 Treasury-savings certificate. All information relative to this subject will be furnished by the postmaster who invites public interest thereto.

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