

United States Press Representatives' Visit To St. Croix, Virgin Islands, U. S. A.

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(Continued from yesterday's Avis.)

Just as we reach the top of King's Hill, we find ourselves part of a target which some big gun could have hit from Stony Ground Corner, some seven miles west. As we continue down the hill we arrive at a sharp turn to the right where the road makes a curve around a small hill and brings us to the next hill on our journey north and east. Here before mounting La Reine hill we have on our left the entrance to estate "La Reine" with a solid old "Great House" built of massive stone where lives a young man and his wife. He has been cured of New York winters and prefers the balmy skies of St. Croix though the road has been stony and steep the past four lean years.

Passing over the hill and with a sharp turn to the right we see estate "Strawberry Hill", another reminder of English influence in plantation life, for it, too, was named after a suburb of London town of those days. It might be added that no strawberries have ever been seen on this estate except those in glass jars. On the right we pass estate "Barren Spot" until we arrive at the pillars denoting the entrance to that estate. This plantation, years ago, in the middle and until the latter part of the 18th century belonged to the Markoe family, who resided as well in Philadelphia in pre-revolutionary days. To conform with the neutrality proclamation of the King of Denmark they returned to St. Croix to avoid having their estate confiscated. The estate was then called "Moirs" and later was acquired by the Mc Evoy family who held it until about 1830 and disposed of it to new owners. The estate took its name from a small plantation to the west end, with its two wind mills and two chimneys, became one of the largest set of works on the island. Upon the estate is situated a Roman Catholic Chapel donated to the Redemptorist Fathers by the owners of the estate some years ago and by them has been brought from a practically empty building to a real live and beneficial church. The chapel was erected by the Mc Evoy family as a private chapel.

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SERMONETTE

Unfolding of an Eternal Principle.

"The plan for our redemption was not an after-thought, a plan formulated after the fall of man. It was a revelation of 'the mystery which had been kept in silence through times eternal.' It was an unfolding of the principles that from eternal ages have been the foundation of God's throne. From the beginning... God did not ordain sin that sin should exist, but He foresaw its existence, and made provision to meet the terrible emergency. So great was his love for the world that He covenanted to give His only begotten Son, 'that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.'" *The Desire of Ages*, p. 22.

Seeing such great provision made for the human race in Christ Jesus, we should fear to sin against our Redeemer and friend. To fight against God is useless, and to accept Christ is priceless.

F. HALL,
Pastor.

ists, after our first decisive victory over the European Bourgeoisie is advocated by M. Zinovieff Chairman of its Executive Committee. In a review of the organization's accomplishments and aims, printed in the newspaper Pravda, M.

Zinovieff says the Communistic revolutionary theories are making great progress, even in America and Japan, he says. "The movement has full right to expect welcome surprises from the American labour movement, Great Britain was extremely important M. Zinovieff said and when a majority of the English workers became communised the people of the suppressed east will arise and the proletarian revolution be successful throughout Europe and the aim of the Communistic internationale is to work unceasingly to this end".

Constantinople, March 1st—The newspapers here say a fierce encounter has occurred in Hadjiler, a village on the Syrian frontier, between French troops and the Krafakill Tribe, with many killed and wounded on both sides. It is said the French had thirty casualties.

Kiel Germany, March 1st—The shipyard owners here have locked out their entire staff of 13,000 men. This action was taken because the men refused to increase their working hours from eight to nine.

London, March 2nd—The unique spectacle of a father being introduced in the House of Commons by his two sons will be witnessed tomorrow, when Mr. Arthur Henderson takes his seat as the member from Burnley to which he was elected on Friday.

London, March 2nd.—The people of

Persia are severely censuring the Shah for his repeated lengthy absences in Europe and are talking of founding a Republic, says the Teheran Correspondent of the "Daily Mail." The entire Persian Press, he declares is strongly in favour of the change. The Shah has been in Europe since early November.

Westhertlepool, March 1st.—Addressing delegates representing the united forces of Liberalism in the Northern countries of England today, Mr. Lloyd George said that it was just like Great Britain's luck that "the first experiment in Socialist administration had come under conditions where it could do the least harm, even under conditions which could do a great deal of good," and the experience was having a salutary effect on the impetuous souls of the Socialist Party. "I am all for leaving them for some time behind the plough handles," he continued, "they will soon have aching backs and weary hearts, but very much wiser heads and in the future they will realize you cannot plough from the clouds." He likened Mr. MacDonald to an air squadron leader of socialism, who spent most of his time in the white clouds of socialistic idealism, but now he was a changed man since he had joined the infantry and had to trudge on mother earth, carrying a knapsack. In Mr. MacDonald's first speech as Premier, continued Mr. Lloyd George, "all the restraint, reservations and compromises which mundane statesmen hitherto have indulged in were repeated in every particular. When I heard Mr. MacDonald, who had indulged in the shrillest notes, pitching his tune so low and imitating the very modest notes from less pretentious singers, it recalled the memory of many a cracked tenor who had been forced to become a baritone." He said the last government was a spectacle of pathetic fatuity and it was not a very high compliment to pay the existing ministers to say that whatever were their defects or shortcomings they were infinitely better than the men they had supplanted. If the present government in a moment of folly proposes a capital levy or any measure for the overthrow of private enterprise, the whole of the Liberal Party will vote against it, without regard to the effect on the fortunes of the Government."

Washington, March 2nd—One hundred thousand cases of liquor per month are smuggled into the United States by rum runners off the Atlantic and Gulf coasts according to Coast Guard Officials in charge of preventing the traffic. This estimate was given to the House Appropriations sub-Committee which drafted the deficiency bill reported yesterday allowing an additional \$13,853,989 for the Coast Guard Service.

Brussels, March 2nd.—Princess Louise of Belgium died today at Wiesbaden, according to despatches just received here.