

ing this amendment the Honorable Member has made allowances for the matter to go before the court. From my knowledge of the Food Commission I can say its members are honest men they are not going to put the prices below the value, they are men of integrity, and even if it should be a fact that the Food Commission is so corrupt that you cannot trust it, you have the courts. I think the Food Commission is entitled to the power asked for and I will vote for it.

1st Member for Frederiksted Country District (Andersen) remarked: Mr. Chairman. The Food Commission has abused its power in St. Thomas and it is for that reason we do not want to give such a power to the Food Commission of St. Croix.

2nd Member for Christiansted Town (Canegata) remarked: Mr. Chairman. I want to say that the Food Commission has been fair in doing its duty. When the Commission was approached about the milk question the President of the Dairy was a member of that Commission and if the President was able to give sufficient reasons to justify the rise in the price of milk his case would have met with the approval of the members of the Commission. The Commission from the start allowed the merchants only fifteen percent profit on their gross costs and everybody is satisfied. The Dairy is allowed thirty percent and yet they are not satisfied.

1st Member for Frederiksted Town (Coulter) remarked: Mr. Chairman. If the Food Commission in St. Thomas has abused its power why not have recourse to the courts.

3rd Appointed Member (Armstrong) remarked: I don't know that the Dairy is making 30 percent, so much so that there are no dividends up to now.

4th Member for Christiansted Country (Ramsay) remarked: Mr. Chairman. If we take the last speaker's basis, in my opinion, the Merchants are making two percent.

2nd Member for Christiansted Town (Canegata) moved that the voting takes place by roll call.

1st Member for Frederiksted Town (Coulter), 2nd Member for said Town (Merwin,) and 4th Member for Frederiksted Country District (Ramsay) seconded the member's proposal.

The member's proposal was adopted.

Accordingly the Chairman took the vote on the bill by roll call with the following results:

Member Henderson	aye	Mem. Armstrong	No
" Noll	aye	Mem. Blackwood	no
" Lunney	aye	Mem. Pentheny	no
" Canegata	aye	Mem. MacKay	no
" Coulter	aye	Mem. R. W. Skeoch	no

Member Merwin	aye	Mem. Ramsay	no
		Mem. Andersen	no
		Mem. Fleming	no

Three members were absent.

The Chairman remarked: The amendment is lost.

There being no further business before the House the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 5 o'clock p. m.

A very appreciable shower fell between 7 and 9 last night, cooling the atmosphere and giving some drinking water which was needed, as well as subduing the dust which is not in power as yet today.

OFFICIAL NEWS.

May 15, 1920.

Governor Oman attended the meeting of the Colonial Council yesterday.

U. S. Army Transport "Northern Pacific" was floated at 7:00 a. m. yesterday.

Mr. Rudolph Muller was seated yesterday as Fifth Appointed Member of the Colonial Council for the Municipality of St. Thomas and St. John.

Lieut. Com. Ralph H. Jenkins, Medical Corps, U. S. N. on duty in Christiansted and Lieut. John Duff Jr., Medical Corps, U. S. N. on duty at St. Thomas have been ordered detached from duty in the Virgin Islands upon reporting of their reliefs, and will proceed to their homes in the States.

Lieut. Vachelle Harmon, Medical Corps, U. S. N., detached from the U. S. S. "New Jersey" and Lieut. Howard L. Dovey, Medical Corps, U. S. N. detached from the U. S. S. "Louisiana, have been ordered to duty in the Virgin Islands and are expected to arrive on the next transport.

To Mr. Lawaetz

Referring to yours in yesterday's "West End News", you are advised that the Avis has not devised any "proceeding" for calculating the worth of milk; the dairymen claimed when the price of the cattle went up to the figures published in the Food Commission's notice of 29th. ultimo, that milk automatically rose in value to 16 cents a quart, Danish money. Shortly after, the value of Danish money increased, and this paper assumed that such increase offset the augmentation demanded in price of milk. By the dairymen's "proceeding", therefore, the worth of milk will be arithmetically three and three thirteenths cents per quart with an exchange of 5%.

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Frederiksted, May 15th, 1920.

The S. S. "Guiana" arrived this morning at 5 o'clock from New York via St. Thomas with a large mail, 4,864 packages general cargo and the following passengers:

From New York:—Mr. & Mrs. Coogan and 2 children, Mr. John Shea, Mr. C. F. Daniel. From St. Thomas:—Mr. & Mrs. Charles Hay, Mrs. Estornel, Mr. Boardman, Mr. & Mrs. Jurgensen, Mrs. Leevy, Mr. Raven and infant, Mrs. S. Dayton, Miss L. Williams, Miss A. White and child, Judge D. Noll, Comdr. Colby, Mr. P. Raven.

The unloading is being carried on.

TELEGRAMS

ST. CROIX STATION.

(Delayed in transmission.)

Montreal, May 2nd.—The new British Empire Steel Corporation, the largest combination in the empire, second only to the United States Steel Corporation has now emerged from its nebulous stage into that of definite existence as an imperial organization capitalized at five hundred million dollars. This Canadian organization of steel, coal and transportation companies associating the iron and coal deposits of the Atlantic seaboard of the dominion with the steel making experience and resources of Great Britain is now an accomplished fact, according to Colonel Grant Morden.

Wellington, New Zealand, May 5th.—The Prince of Wales had a great reception on his return today from his tour to North Island. A procession in his honour, occupied one hour travelling the two miles of decorated streets leading to Government house, so great was the assembly along the route.

Paris, May 5th.—The Allied reply to the objection of the Hungarian peace delegation to the terms of the peace treaty, handed to Hungary's representatives in Jany, was delivered to the secretary of the Hungarian mission at Versailles this afternoon. The Hungarians have been given ten days, dating from tomorrow, in which to accept or reject the treaty.

Sunderland, May 7th.—Sir Hamar Greenwood, chief secretary for Ireland, was re-elected to Parliament today in the bye-election which was rendered necessary by his recent appointment. Sir Hamar received 22,813 votes as against 14,379 for Mr. Rutherford, labour candidate and 5,065 for Mr. Hove, independent liberal.

London, May 7th.—A Moscow wireless message declares today that the British have removed the Sultan to Broussa, the ancient Turkish capital, south of Constantinople, across the sea of Marmora, and about two hundred miles inland from the coast of that sea. Special quarters have been taken for him there, the message asserts.