

(1). In an action or proceeding to which he is a party or in which he is directly interested.

(2). When he is related to either party by consanguinity or affinity within the third degree;

(3). When he has been attorney in the action or proceeding for either party.

POWER OF JUDGE OUT OF COURT.

Section 23. - A judge may exercise out of court, all powers expressly conferred upon a judge as contra distinguished from a court, but not otherwise.

POWERS OF JUDICIAL OFFICERS.

Section 24. - Every judicial officer has power—

(1). To preserve and enforce order in his immediate presence, and in the proceedings before him, when he is engaged in the performance of a duty imposed upon him by law;

(2). To compel obedience to his lawful orders;

(3). To compel the attendance of persons to testify in a proceeding pending before him;

(4). To administer oaths to persons, in a proceeding pending before him, and in all other cases where it may be necessary in the exercise of his powers and the performance of his duties.

POWERS HOW EXERCISED.

Section 25. - For the effectual exercise of the powers conferred in the last section, a judicial officer may punish for contempt in the cases and in the manner provided by law.

SITTINGS OF COURT.

Section 26. - The sittings of every court of justice are public, except as provided in this section. Upon agreement of the parties to a civil proceeding or action, filed with the clerk or entered upon the journal the court may direct the trial of an issue of law or fact or any other proceeding therein, to be private; and upon such order being made all persons shall be excluded except the officers of the court, parties, their witnesses and counsel.

RULES OF COURT.

Section 27. - The Judge of the District Court may from time to time promulgate rules of court, for the government of the courts, provided such rules shall not be in conflict with any specific law or ordinance.

FEES TO BE CHARGED BY LAW COURTS, ETC.

Section 28. - The Governor shall by executive order, prescribe the fees to be charged by the law courts, sheriffs, notaries and peace officers during the period of one year after this ordinance shall come into force and at the end of the period of one year, the schedule of fees so being charged by the law courts, sheriff, peace officers, and notaries, shall be submitted to the respective Colonial Councils for final ratification or amendment by the said Councils.

JUVENILE COURTS ESTABLISHED.

Section 29. - There is hereby established in this District a Juvenile Court and every Police Judge shall be ex-officio Judge of a Juvenile Court, and shall have such powers as are hereinafter provided.

POWER OF JUVENILE JUDGE TO COMMIT.

Section 30. - Each Juvenile Judge shall have power to commit to a reform school, to an orphan asylum, to any other public or charitable institution, or to the Board of Children's Guardians, within the District, any child under sixteen years of age for an indeterminate period not exceeding the time he shall have arrived at the age of eighteen years for the following causes:

(1). All children who are destitute of suitable homes and adequate means of earning an honest living.

(2). All children abandoned by their parents or guardians.

(3). All children living with or in the care of habitually drunken, vicious or unfit persons.

(4). All children kept in vicious or immoral associations.

(5). All children habitually begging or receiving alms.

(6). All children known by their language or life to be vicious or incorrigible.

(To be continued.)

EDITORIAL.

As many persons depend on the Mail Edition of the Avis for a summary of the week's news to send away, we would advise them that Miss Colcord's letter to the "World," published on Wednesday will not appear in Saturday's mail edition owing to the fact that it was necessary to distribute the setting of the article. A few copies of Wednesday's daily issue are, however, still available.

We have been kindly remembered by an old friend of this island, Mr. Adolph Sixto of St. Thomas, with copies of interesting messages from his worthy and well known pen to the people of these islands. One, entitled an open letter to Virgin Islanders of St. Croix teems with that familiar, rational optimism characteristic of this son of the soil. It would give us great pleasure to reprint some of these messages, but time and space are in full demand in our office in these days, and this is therefore impossible. As Mr. Sixto is expected to visit this island shortly, we trust all of us will have the privilege of hearing him in real life as of old.

As per notice issued by the Telephone Department half-price subscription to telephones by which the subscriber is entitled to connection only as can be furnished by his local central, will cease from July 1st., on which date also

flat rate for night rings at 10 cents from 8-6 will supersede the existing charges of 10 cents from 8-10, and 50 cents until 6 a. m. The subscriber is thus afforded two hours more of regular service, for which he now pays a fee.

LOCAL.

The St. Thomas horses to participate in the races at Mannings Bay on July 4, have arrived; also a horse from Porto Rico which will be entered by Mr. W. H. Mackay of Concordia, whose Fluffy Ruffles will contest the championship with the famous Fisher Girl in the first race. It is understood that these races will be decided by one heat only, instead of as formerly two of three heats. A large number of tourists are expected from St. Thomas bringing cars with them. Locally all cars on hire are engaged more or less, and to all appearances the popular interest and enthusiasm in evidence indicate that the Mannings Bay races will be the chief if not the only public diversion for Independence Day this year.

The yacht Zurah with salt arrived here yesterday, bringing also a small mail from Antigua.

Sloop Mirandam from St. Thomas is also here with cargo of salt and sugar.

Correspondence

To the Editor of the "St. Croix Avis"

Dear Mr. Editor:—

We hope that the Acting Manager of the Christiansted Theatre intends giving the patrons of this place of amusement a chance to see that 5 reel comedy "La Lucile" with Eddie and Lee as the principal actors. This comedy was expected to be shown at the West End Movies last night. We also wish to call the attention of the Acting Manager to the fact that the time for the movies can now be conveniently changed from 8 o'clock to 8.15, as the evenings are very clear up to 7 o'clock and over. Mr. Svendsen promised to make the change as soon as circumstances would permit.

With thanks in advance,

We are,

PATRONS OF THE THEATRE.

June 24, 1921.

To the Editor of the "St. Croix Avis"

Dear Sir:—

Now that the time for the much talked of Races is near, it would not be out of place to remind the Officers in charge of affairs that the GRAND STAND needs some attention, especially the roof. Last year there were many holes here and there, and we would be very glad if something could be done to make it safe in the event of rain this year.

SPORTS.