

Publication.

THE Food Commission of St. Croix has fixed the following maximum prices which are to prevail until further notice.

WHOLESALE PRICES:

For staple articles 10% above gross costs on cash sales. On Credit sales 5% additional may be charged.

In Christiansted 50c. per barrel additional may be charged on all sales.

RETAIL PRICES:

Cornmeal.....	09c. per pound,
Flour.....	11c. " "
Sugar, muscavado.....	09c. " "
Sugar, brown crystal (raw).....	12c. " "
Sugar, clear (table).....	13c. " "
Sugar, washed.....	16c. " "
Bread, 1-lb. loaf.....	12c. " "
Bread, ½ lb. loaf.....	06c. " "
Bread, ¼ lb. loaf.....	03c. " "
Three 1c. loaves of bread must weigh ¼ pound.	
Milk, per quart.....	11c.
Milk, " pint.....	06c.
Milk, " bottle.....	09c.
Milk, " bottle.....	05c.
Skim Milk per quart.....	05c.
Live cattle.....	07c. per pound,
Live hogs.....	12c. " "
Live sheep.....	12c. " "
Live poultry.....	25c. " "
Beef.....	18c. " "
Veal and choice cuts.....	20c. " "
Pork.....	22c. " "
Mutton.....	27c. " "
Eggs.....	07c. each
Sweet Potatoes (Hucksters price).....	04c. per pound,
Lard (compound).....	48c. " "
Kerosene (110) " per bottle.....	12c. " "
Kerosene (150) " ".....	14c. " "
Charcoal.....	90c. per bag,
Charcoal kerosene tin.....	15c.
Charcoal 1 gallon.....	04c.
Charcoal 1 quart.....	01c.

All weights and measures herein mentioned are American standards.

The Ordinance approved October 27, 1919, Section 7 provides:

Any person who shall.....sell any article.....at a higher price than fixed by the Food Commission, or shall use a weight, measure or scale prohibited.....shall be punished by fine of not to exceed Francs 1000:00 or by imprisonment not to exceed six months or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Frederiksted and Christiansted St. Croix, November 5th. 1919.

D. NOLL,
Chairman.

With regard to the retirement of Danish West Indian currency in the adjustment of the conditions brought about by the high rate of exchange, it is rumored that United States currency will not be introduced.

The United States mails received yesterday consisted principally of first-class matter, letters, mailed during the period from Oct. 9th. to 24th., from which it may be concluded that there is no overdue letter mail in transit. No printed matter or parcel post came in yesterday.

From the St. Thomas papers and local current rumor it appears that the Parima was expected to leave New York for

these islands on Sunday last, 2nd., but the Agents here are unable to confirm whether or not she did leave. To-day a report is circulating to the effect that she was to sail yesterday. As boats for Porto Rico have been able to connect with that island, it is presumed that the Quebec boats may likewise get away. A steamer with food-stuffs for St. Croix is what is urgently looked for in these days when many commodities are scarce in the local market.

The performance by native characters at the theatre last night was thoroughly successful, there having being a full attendance, hardly standing room being available. The performance itself was indeed commendable, and the actors de-

serve congratulations for their excellent appearance.

The "Lion's Claw" will be continued at the theatre tonight, the performance opening with an interesting current news number, and concluding with a tip-top comic. A large audience is looked for.

OFFICIAL NEWS.

November 5, 1919.

Lieutenant Commander Frederick B. Colby, Supply Corps, U. S. Navy, has been ordered to duty as Financial Adviser on the staff of Governor Oman and is expected by the next "Kittery"

Lieutenant James D. Knox, Supply Corps, U. S. Navy, has been ordered from the Receiving Ship at New York to report on board the U. S. S. Vixen as the relief of Ensign Alfred Frelinger, Supply Corps, U. S. Navy.

The Food Commission met yesterday afternoon. It has been informed by Commissioner Peebles of Tortola that an association will be formed by him in St. Thomas for the receipt and distribution of all food stuff from Tortola. A law is to be passed there prohibiting the exportation of any food stuff and charcoal that is not consigned to that association.

The Dutch steamer Sloterdijk with a cargo of nitrate arrived at St. Thomas yesterday from Antofagasta, Chile, and sailed for Rotterdam, Holland.

The St. Thomas Harbour Board now has a Night Pilot on regular duty. Captain James E. Simmons having reported for duty yesterday.

Only sixteen bags of mail for St. Thomas arrived on Steamer Ponce.

The orders of Lieutenant James D. Hackenson, U. S. Navy, Medical Aid on the staff of Governor Oman have been revoked.

To The Editor of the St. Croix Avis.

Will you kindly inform the Public through the medium of your paper that the Experiment Station has now ready for free distribution about 150,000 cuttings of Elephant Grass.

This Grass grows here exceedingly well and bear enormous crops when the weather is favourable. It is planted like cane from pieces. The rows should be made 3½ ft. or 4 ft. apart and the plants spaced 2 or 2½ ft. apart in the rows.

As the grass grows to a height of 10 or 12 ft. it should be used to cut for the stock, and I suggest that a piece of land in the neighbourhood of each pen on an Estate would provide abundant fodder which could be cut and carted at very little expense.