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The Banana Industry, Cane Cakes, & Effects

West Indian sugar again threatened

Mr. Editor:
In your well written article on the banana question you will permit me to express my most appreciated Weekly to express myself in the vexed question of our Bananas.

In the affairs of men there are two elements which may be said to control every event, these may be termed Cause & Effect, these two forces are said to be complementary, in that every effect must be preceded by a cause, and although it is sometimes quite difficult to determine the cause which has led up to a certain effect, nevertheless wherever there is the manifestation of the former, we must find the latter.

The effect of an invention may grow out of the cause, necessity, or curiosity. The effect of a discovery may grow out of the cause "Spirit of Adventure", the effect depreciation may be traceable to the cause "lack of cooperation." As stated before, there are some effects which would puzzle the most advanced mind to find the corresponding Cause. Take the world's War, which we regard as an effect that has troubled the world for many theories have been advanced as the cause, that the world seem to be still waiting to be convinced as to the real cause. It is not to be denied, right here in this country we have our *Banana Industry* which, according to a statement made in a recent edition of your Esteemed journal, shows an alarming depletion during the last six or seven years the writer gave as the cause of this very grave effect, failure of the United Fruit Co. to open up new lands to replace the banana farms which have since given way to abandonment and conversion into other industries. Like the world war there seem to be other causes traceable to this unpleasant effect, at least it appears to be that of the "Trade", it is quite admissible that where once there were flourishing fields of bananas owned by the United Fruit Co. today there is not a foot visible, but it must also be remembered that the areas since cultivated by small settlers, have helped to compensate for those of the Company's which have ceased to produce. It might probably be that where ten years ago the Company was directly responsible for 80% of the annual shipment of bananas from this country, today the ratio may be regarded as inverse, in that small settlers have become so numerous that within certain years, they are expected to function under the control of bulk production by one Organization, and in the common usage of the word "Trade", there is one element which is indispensable to the life & growth of that industry namely *Cooperation* between producers & buyers. Credit would not be the same, the "Trade" is so hardily by this very essential element is made conspicuous by its absence as it affects producers and buyers in the banana industry of Costa Rica.

Sometimes when one observes the banana growers, both by the Company and government alike, there arises a

doubt as to whether they are really interested in the existence & expansion of this popular industry in this country. Take the present mode of serving cutting notices as an example, in some countries like Jamaica the mother of the industry, the noticeman enters each Farm a day or two prior to the cutting and actually points out the grade of fruit wanted.

Here we formerly had a man who sends the notice out by the most convenient bearer, and now the condition is even worse, in some districts, a single notice is stuck up at some point supposed to be intended for the whole of that Section. Sometimes there is a change in the grade of fruit required, yet the notice remains the same, the only way the farmer gets to know of such change, is after the pick up Train leaves his Platform, and he sees very often more than one haul of the quantity out remaining on the ground, Great God! he exclaims why wont the Government appoint Agricultural Inspectors to whom we can complain as is done in Jamaica? It is not to be denied that the cutting and damaging phase *Rejection*. While the growers are sometimes responsible for the number of stems dumped through lack of discretion and care to cut the proper grade and to avoid bruising, the fact must not be overlooked that this wholesale rejection has existed for many years, and no attempt has been made to look it up. It might be said that many of the growers through West Indians & most of them from Jamaica the home & centre of the industry know nothing of the proper method of cultivating and marketing bananas, hence they need help, and this help can only be obtained through cooperative methods between the Government who should appoint Agricultural Inspectors in every District to advise & protect the growers against indiscriminate changes in the size of ships coming & place of destination of the cargoes. The Company whose Supplimentary Inspectors of being unapproachable, burning Mountains should be men of the *Cress*, *Quoy*, *Cliffen* den type who would sympathize, advise and educate the farmers as to the needs of the Company and the intricacies of the cultivation.

For the benefit of all concerned it is hoped that these speculations will not be considered as idle talk, but as some measure of *Cooperation* be instituted to save the Industry. As we hear some of our Stalwart banana growers, now saying it is more payable to plant *Vicia*, *Corn* & the common crop of *Chang* banana, an industry which has forged way, as the second item among the commercial products of this country. It is our wish therefore that all should rise to the level of co-operation that needs assistance, that the government may focus their eyes on the great future in the distance and the result or effect can be nothing less than the overwhelming kind that shall occur to our rejected Province.

THE MAN ON THE FARM

About Nicaragua

With the straitened financial condition of the Province of Costa Rica, the province of Nicaragua is being centered on our Sister Republic to the North of us. Uncle Sam's Engineers are working hard on their Surveys of the Canal route as well as on their arrangements for the transfer of the location of the Railroad alongside of the Canal from Atlantic to Pacific have been completed and the route of the Canal is being pushed, it is in operation from San Juan through the San Juan River by which Costa Rica would be benefited, for they have surveyed it towards Bluefields coming out at Montego Point. It is now settled yet, the final instructions are being awaited as to whether this latter survey will be adopted or not. Occure this new Route apart from eliminating the Canal route, it is an operation of Costa Rica, for her rights in the San Juan River, will also have the advantage of being a considerable distance North a will save that much mileage to the ships on the annual Currents caused by the large rivers coming out in that vicinity. In the affairs of men there comes

a tide at times call it *luck*, predestiny or fate, that will make the difference between good or evil very largely before us. Costa Rica's time of ill changes seem to be on its now and there is a considerable movement towards Nicaragua, there is a slight, but persistent travelling up and down; the reason, when enquired into we learn there is a secret agent here sending a way hundreds of men to that country. This week we find there are 200 being sent through Puerto Cabezas to the plantations there, its fortunate there is an opening some where.

There is also great Roadconstruction going on in the above named country. The cities of Granada & Leon are to be paved, and a Roadway is being surveyed between Masaya & Tipitapa and a Railroad survey has been completed between Masaya & Leon - so looks as if Nicaragua's time of prosperity is looming up, if the Political factions would just put away all differences and settle down to work for the best interests of the country she would certainly be the most prosperous of the Central American group.

News to agriculture

The following clipping shows how Farmers are protected in large Countries by State Banks. It would be well if our Banks would take example and aid agriculture. This being entirely an agricultural country it is time that our men in Congress instead of worrying themselves over how a few dollars are being spent on works of improvement should interest themselves in the agricultural pursuits of the country by seeking to formulate Agricultural Banks in all the Provinces to aid the Farmers by planning, harvesting and Marketing their Crops.

Here we find that the Government institutes what is known as "The Federal Farm Board" whose business it is to consult with the Committees in this case (16) of The Farmers National Grain Corporation and approve or disapprove of Loans made on the guarantee of these Committees who are in constant touch with all the Farmers and are thoroughly acquainted with all their financial & other circumstances & requirements, instead of leaving the poor little Farmers to the hands of sometimes unscrupulous Farmers who tempt the Valuers by friendship or monetary considerations to get money on impoverished Acreages, why could not such Committees be formed in every Province with one or two prominent Farmers from each District, who would be in a position to vouch for any Loan, on the qualifications or adaptability of the farmer in his District. The Banco Agricola would thus be safeguarded by such Committee. Impetus would in this way be put in Agriculture and unprincipled Farmers would either get straight or get out of Farming since it would be then the survival of the fittest.

News is now forthcoming from Statistics by Mr. H. C. Lakin President of the Caba Sugar Corporation in his Bulletin entitled "World Sugar Consumption in 1930 - in which he proves that Sugar production in 1930 will be 1,070,000 Tons less than Consumption. This will certainly result in higher prices for this commodity. This report is based on statistics by Willet & Gray in Farr's Manual of Sugar Companies in "Facts about Sugar"

Washington, Sept. 18.—The first extension of credit to the wheat growers of the country was announced to-day by the Federal Farm Board. It approved the application of the North Dakota-Montana Wheat Grower's Association for a loan of \$100,000 to supplement funds already obtained from the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank of St. Paul.

This action is important in view of the farm board's attitude that its efforts should be directed toward organizing a comprehensive and permanent programme rather than to indulge in spasmodic and temporary means of relief. By its advances to the North Dakota-Montana Wheat Grower's Association, like any application before it, the board will enable many growers and groups to hold their wheat for better prices.

The board is looking for improved conditions in the wheat market as soon as the foreign demand is realized. This drafting of American wheat is expected to be exceptionally heavy in view of

POOR CROP CONDITIONS

in many parts of the world. The board's statement said— "The Federal Farm Board to-day approved an application of the North Dakota-Montana Wheat Growers Association, Grand Forks, N. D., for a loan on wheat supplemental to that already granted by the Federal Intermediate Credit Bank, St. Paul, Minn. The advance by the Federal Farm Board is to be ten cents a bushel, with a provision that the combined sums obtained from the Intermediate Credit Bank and the Farm Board shall not exceed one dollar a bushel. The maximum loan

memorandum prepared for the League of Nations in which each Sugar producing country's past production is taken, and the present situation a careful analysis of the possibilities for the future. In Cuba for instance it is said that from three causes there must be a decline in production of 650,000 tons, first on account of persistent drought conditions, 2ndly from the fact that there will be no Old Cane to cut to begin grinding in January and 3rdly from the general impoverishment of the lands resulting in the abandonment of some fields.

He bases his Consumption estimate on the annual rate of increased Consumption of 4 1/2 per cent covering the last 4 years - The United States being the only country of an increased Sugar Consumption of 3 per cent. Taking the Estimates of all Sugar producing Areas in the world and compute with this 4 1/2 per cent increase of Consumption there is bound to be a rise in the prices of Sugar for 1930. We now come to a point at which we ask a question Why only in the United States? Why should increase their Crop. Bananas have diminished fully 30 per cent during the last 3 years, and with no prospects of new plantations being made, why not plant Sugar Cane, if we remember aright it was that Commercial genius Mr. C. V. Lindo who shipped away during the war several Cargoes of Sugar without any appreciable rise locally in the price of this product why cant Costa Rican Farmers prepare to Export Sugar the crisis, instead of crying over the impoverishment of our Banana areas. It is contended by some that there is not a sufficient percentage of saccharine matter in our Cane on our Soil, but what of our Super production in Tonnes of Cane - it is true that our Cane are said to be all water, but what of our by Products Rum, and alcohol as in manufactured in Cuba.

It is not because Mr. Jones's property produces 20 tons to the acre and mine only 15 tons that I should throw up my hands & call for charity. Costa Rican financiers awake and open up some other industry to save the situation.

Wheat Grower's Association is \$100,000. This Association is the first to qualify for the supplemental loans which the Farm Board announced at its recent conference in Chicago with the organization committee of sixteen of the Farmer's National Grain Corporation that it was ready to make to co-operate with the growers' associations.

George Duis, president, presented the application of the North Dakota-Montana Association.

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THE CRISIS

The Province of Limon has been struggling for an existence now for a number of years due to the falling off of our Banana output caused from one thing or another, and indeed this struggling has never had any attempt at betterment by way of suggesting a remedy, we have simply been trusting to luck & hoping that matters would right themselves, until now a Crisis has overtaken us which admittedly is so disastrous that everyone is asking whats going to happen to us. When it began that the Farmers started being ruined by Banana disease and rejection, little or no attention was paid to the scavenging of that Section of the community, large Farmers got out of Business and small farmers, consisting mainly of labourers who used formerly to work on those abandoned farms, came into prominence, but so long as the Commercial men were selling their goods, no attention was paid to the impending danger, now we find the small farmers who were allowed to cultivate on these abandoned areas, content with getting a Crop or two from these worn out lands gradually diminishing in their productions not only in quantity but quality until now we are at a practical standstill and the crisis is so apparent that all eyes are directed to a way of escape, and that way also seem cut off, we must only stand and die. The merchant now finds he cannot sell his goods, the Custom houses are full to over flowing, with scores of Carloads of merchandise to be unloaded, but no space in the Bodegas to put them, the government asking the merchants to clear their goods from the Bondhouses, these in turn make representation to the government that the Banks will not advance them the necessary money to meet their sight or time drafts, The Banks allege that all their available Cash is tied up in loans on Urbanal as well as Rural properties, the Banco Credito Hipotecario alone being tied up in twenty millions in this respect, hence the balance must be handled very carefully. There is never however a calamity without its corresponding good, it will thus be seen that although the Province of Limon has always been neglected by the government, possibly because it has been built up by foreigners & Foreign Capital, yet its prosperity has always upheld the prosperity of the Republic, and now its ruin also spells the same thing for the country. Now that we have seen a result can we remedy the Cause? This has gradually been engineered by the wise heads of the United Fruit Coy. Years ago it was thought that this great organization was not doing enough for the country and we are only going to wait until 1930 when her Concession expires we shall give her no more privileges. Alright, says the Company we shall also prepare, she starts her cultivations in Honduras, Guatemalla, Panamá, not forgetting her immense acquisitions of some of the best banana lands in Jamaica. The only man who was the useless game being played by the young blood of Costa Rica in Congress was that astute old lawyer Don Ricardo Jiménez when he told his Congress who were determined to veto the renewal of the concessions of the U. F. Co. - I see whats going to happen to my country and for the love of my country if you do not desert in this foolish braggadocio which you cannot support I shall quit office and find the way to my home; and here, we wont say his prophecy but his forethought has been amply proven because, now he says your lands are being impoverished no new cultivations are being put in, if we do not allow the U. F. Co. to open up the San Carlos area, what is bound to happen is the death of our Banana Industry, and so it has occurred. Now we ask how can all this unhappy state of affairs be remedied? There is in my opinion only one way out of it. The majority in Congress must admit by this, their mistakes, and as sensible men, when one finds he has made a mistake his first thought is to correct the error. We have been living in the fools paradise by expecting that some other Company will come to our rescue, but what can another Company do. The Cuyamel made it quite plain that they were not coming in to plant bananas they were only coming in to buy what we have not got, what Coy can it be thought is coming here to do what the U. F. Co. has done? Has done? what the Banana Company that we know of can do for us what the U. F. Co. has done and can do? None that we have read of.

Our nearby lands have all been worn out, it needs immense Capital for Railroads & equipments to open up new fields which is the only thing to save us and no other Company is going to invest hundreds of thousands of Dollars without giving it enough time to recoup its money; we have lived out 30 years of Concession without any damage to the Sovereignty of the country to the contrary she has been brought into the limelight of recognition by power full nations by those 30 years of Concession, another 20 years of prosperity can certainly be prophesied to mean a higher climb in the progress of Nationhood.

We have now as manager a man who loves this country who has been attached to the highest thoughts of cultural progress both of the concerns he served as well as of this Country Mr. Emmanuel Montejo. In fact if we look to the scriptural meaning of the name, it seems a real Godsend that he has arrived to alter this Crisis, a man who will reason with sympathy & be reasoned with and we hope the members of Congress now assembled will remedy their mistake and will approach him make such arrangements as will lead to the opening up of new Banana areas and thereby slacken this Cord that by their lack of judgment they have brought around us.

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El Canal de Nicaragua

Hace algunos días vienen los cables informándonos de haber en Nicaragua, un ejército de ingenieros norteamericanos practicando los estudios necesarios para la apertura del tan discutido segundo Canal Interocéanico americano. Tambien dicen los cables, con informacion de buena procedencia, que la gigantexza obra sera principiada en la actual administracion del Presidente Hoover, y dando comienzo practico probablemente en el año venidero de 1930.

Tales noticias nos sugieren muchas ideas respecto a tan magno problema; una de ellas es la de insinuar al Gobierno de nuestro país, la formacion de una Junta de cuatro o cinco notables, entre ellos, abogados internacionalistas y financieros notados, para que en asocio del señor Secretario de Relaciones Exteriores celebren sesiones y formulen las bases de un tratado honroso y de bastante provecho para el país, el cual pueda servir de base en cualquier momento para ser presentado a la consideracion del Congreso; o sea cuando el Gobierno americano se dirija nuevamente a nuestro país pactando nuestros derechos sobre el rio San Juan.

La construccion del Canal se llevará a cabo indiscutiblemente, por varias razones ya de todos conocidas: por el inmenso trafico que soporta el de Panamá; por razones politicas: defensa de los Estados Unidos en caso de guerra, y por tener ya invertidos los yankees mucho capital en ese empenio.

Teniendo Costa Rica, como tiene, sus derechos indiscutibles de propiedad en el Rio San Juan, que no podrán hurtar las armanas que se dicen rejen en Nicaragua sobre desvio de aguas y otras historias como cambio de rutas que no podrán ser nunca más practicas que el aprovechamiento de las aguas limítrofes en su mayor parte, tendrá que toparse de nuevo este serio problema, y es para entonces que nuestro país debe estar preparado, teniendo los estudios del caso, para sacar el mejor ventaja sin causarle bochorno a la Nación.

Debemos ser previsores y no esperar a última hora para resolver nuestros más trascendentales problemas, de una manera atropellada y torpe.

Que se estudie y resuelva con

In British politics

On his arrival in his seat as Prime Minister of England Mr. MacDonald expects to meet some very serious questions of which one matter that has been pressing his attention is that of the enormous amount of unemployed in England. Mr. Thomas, Lord of the Privy Seal promises to give this week an exhaustive declaration on the question, which the whole country is looking forward to.

Mr. Graham, President of the labour Bureau also promises to give a statement before the house of Commons relative to the hours of work of coal miners.

The king will not be present at the Ceremony around the Cenotaph this Armistice day, which will be the first time he is absent from the service since the war - The Prince of Wales will represent him, and lay the wreath for the unknown dead.

Embezzlement

From the Gleaner, we learn that the man Ivan St. B. Clere who was Deputy Clerk of Court for Port Maria, and appropriated some of the Funds of the Courts Department and absconded to England, was captured by the Police of Liverpool on information of the Jamaica Police Dept. and sent back to Jamaica, under arrest & escort of two members of the Kingston Police force who were sent for him. He was expected to arrive in Jamaica last week.

The trial of Fielding who also misappropriated over £ 2,000 of The Kingston Parcel post Dept. in Complicity with two others, was placed for trial on 29th. He has been indicted under 8 charges.

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CURRENT ITEMS



Current News

Mr. W. G. S. Ewen, protector of Jamaican Immigrants in Cuba went to Jamaica on the "S. S. La Playa" for a few days, he reports all well among the Jamaican element in Cuba, but recommends no further immigration there.

Motor accident

A Truck laden with goods going from Kingston to Trelawny fell over a precipice on the Unity Valley Road, two miles from Moneague, with the result that one man got killed and six others were seriously injured.

Our Water Supplies

This indispensable precious fluid is calling the attention of all legislators in the known world for the supply of all Cities and Townships. There is no doubt about it, that the Governor, Municipality and the Committee appointed to see into the betterment of living conditions in Limon, Messrs. Inlay, Wendori and Rees have worked day & night thinking how to cope with conditions of our water supply and the rising population of this Town; and indeed they are mastering the situation because our water can be had in better flow and a clean drinkable fluid now, formerly our water was unfit for human consumption in consequence of which Camp one has claimed 50 per cent of those lying there, but now the water coming to us can be drunk without being boiled. Thanks principally to our Committee on Improvement works. It is of a sure that if San Jose, had put their improvements into the hands of men with foreign ideas there would not be such quarrelling as goes on there.

The Shooting Down Carmen

Around the Monte Cristo platform of the Carmen district, seem to be gaining a name for murders and shooting Scrap. on Wednesday 23rd inst M. Walter Rogers, a checker of Fruit for the U. F. Co. at this spot car stand was cruelly shot while sleeping in his bed. The Assassin got under the flooring of the house and shot the poor man through the flooring & through the bedding - fortunately that the bullets having to pass all through these did not have the deadly effect they would have had otherwise - three bullets however were extracted from the man's body at Squirres by Dr. Shaw and he sent to Hospital; where he is progressing. This is the fourth shooting at this spot in five months.

Re The Lodges, Churches & Associations

The Election of Officers for The Limon Div. Will come off on Monday 11th inst. The run for Presidency is between Mr. Cunning and Mr. Smith the present presiding Officer. They are both good men, but there is nothing like a change, and some of the members are thinking that Mr. Cunning may be able to bring back some of the members who are now out of compliance.

Good Samaritans

Many have been the letters received in consequence of the publications of last week, but for want of space cannot come out in this issue, but we are assured that Stephens will not take any drastic steps until directed by the National Grand Council. In the meantime however, why won't both sides get 4 or 5 old men in the Order and talk the matter over so as to resume friendly operations again.

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VICTOR M. DUKE

Doctors differ patients die

The Golden Age - gives the following account of the Sanity of Examinations by some New York doctors - it says Bernarr MacFadden sent a perfectly sound physician - certified healthy young man to twenty six highly ethical licensed physicians of New York for a physical Examination.

The 100 per cent healthy young man came back with the Reports from each one - according to them, he was suffering from 20 different diseases and got from each one a prescription for the treatment of their imaginary diseases.

Mr. Garvey's Election

Much speculation in political circles is being carried on as to the possibility of the non eligibility of Mr. Marcus Garvey sitting as a Councillor in the Kingston & St. Andrews Corporation Council. His opponents claim among other things, away from his imprisonment, that he being Managing Editor of the "Blackman" a newspaper which advertises for the Corporation and obtains remuneration; ofcourse these are matters which will have to be decided by an Election Petition before the Supreme Court.

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Army Operations in Siquirres

The annual Harvest Festival of the Salvation Army of this Town came off on Sunday 27th october got up by Capt. Leveane, with Adjutant Wright piloting the programme thro.

The school children recited and sang beautifully; as well as the Sixette party comprising Adjt Wright, Capt. Greaves, Lieuts. Simpson & Buckley.

Candidate Wright and Capt. Leveane kept the people alive. An enjoyable time was spent that will long be remembered.

On Monday 28th we again had a grand demonstration in the Wesleyan Church kindly loaned us by The Pastor & officers when the audience was kept laughing from start to finish.

There will be Harvest Festival services on Sunday 10th in the Limon Army Hall and The Young People's Altar Service, Special Programme. On Monday 11th there will be a Special Programme at 7.30 p. m. entitled Harvest Home. The Sixette party will assist in the Programme. Admission 50 cents.

Died on Sea

On Friday last Mr. Frank Madero the Asst. Manager of The Limon Trading Co. in Limon went to Cahuita & Old Harbour on a tour of inspection of his Company's business there on the Launch Traco, in coming up he brought the Agent of Police from Old Harbour whom he found very ill at that locality, but the unfortunate man died before he reached Limon.

On Saturday of last week the chief Steward of the U. F. Coy's Hospital, R. Isherwood went for a stroll around Town. On reaching around the Market square, he dropped dead. The body was taken to the Hospital & embalmed waiting instructions from his family in England to be sent home.

A New Language

A New Language is being propagated in Paris called "The Occidental" as a rival of the Esperanto, its principal basis is formed of English, French, Italian, Spanish and German. Its grammar is said to be very easy since it has no irregular verbs, so no difficult conjugations, it will be therefore easy for all Nationalists to understand one another.

International Linguists are persistently at work for its perfection

What of Prohibition in Los Angeles

In the last Camping out Convention in Los Angeles, The Society of Shriners left empty bottles behind them, to the amount of 104,400 amount that being 98 gross of gin, 63 gross of Scotch Whisky, 22 gross of Champagne, 42 gross of wine bottles. This shows that the act is only applicable to one class of people.

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Murders

By the Gleaner we see a man named Leon Murdock in a District named Cottage Pen near Morant Bay-shot & killed a woman named Maria Deacon, and afterwards shot himself. They seemed to have been in concubinage, but the woman broke off the relationship, with the result.

Ear Troubles

In the latest medical Statistics there are supposed to be fifteen million people in the United States afflicted with ear troubles in one form or another.

There are supposed to be three million children in schools so afflicted, and to these, lip reading is being introduced so as to counteract this inconvenience

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San Jose, Costa Rica

It believes every person man or woman who has a relative or friend whom he or she would like to be benefited at their death to join this Society. It is so easy to join only \$ 500 entrance fee and the monthly fee in case of the death of a member you can be a member of 25 C, 50C, 1-00, 2-00, 3-00, 4-00, or 5-00. In case of the death of a member you may whatever that member's quota was, not exceeding your quota. That is if a C 5-00 member dies, and you are a 50 C member you only pay 50 C and so on. This is the thinking man's woman particularly of the poorer class to join this Society. It gives you the Assurance that in your sickness your friend will take care of you because if you die or will be recompensed for their trouble with you.

the advantages that will come to your friend or family by joining this Society which is not a commercial Society but a Society for Mutual help. Support in times of Sickness or death, protected by Law that no creditor can embargo the net, left to your friend when you die, and controlled by gentlemen of the highest reputation in the country having been in existence now over 30 years by publishing for your thought, the following list of the Policies that have been Liquidated in the year 1928.

Presidente, don Ribardo Fournier Q. Tesoro, don Alberto Argués Secretario, don Adán Peralta F.

San José, Apartado 1318

Any information given by The Editor of this Paper.

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No. of Member	NAME DEAD	No. of Policy	Was member			Paid in life	Amt received by family		
			Year	Month	Days				
607	Carlos Urbina Céspedes	794	0	20	22	6	2	€ 701.00	€ 1803.75
608	Fulgencio Villalobos V.	783	1	00	15	3	22	438.00	1335.20
609	Patricio Ledezma Ledezma	321	1	00	22	3	26	545.50	1266.65
610	Rasilio Paniagua Sandoval	105	1	00	31	1	10	303.00	1407.30
611	Alberto Chavarría Mora	1487	1	00	19	3	0	500.00	1266.60
612	Eloy Triguero García	31	2	00	31	2	18	791.50	1806.50
613	Buenaventura Hidalgo E.	32	5	00	31	2	19	979.50	2009.00
614	Manuel Montalgebra Mora	181	0	50	25	2	29	679.50	1875.75
615	Albino Villalobos Villalobos	398	0	50	25	2	29	191.00	710.60
616	Emilio Alpizar Alvarado	1230	0	50	20	4	24	259.00	770.60
617	Domingo Aymereich M.	256	2	00	37	7	0	775.00	1604.45
618	Enrique Rawson Quiros	1641	0	50	17	3	21	241.50	762.55
619	Amanda E. de de los Angeles	1024	1	0	21	2	17	521.50	1396.85
620	José M. Artavia S.	224	1	00	27	11	18	566.50	1396.85
621	Julian Quiros Saborio	467	0	50	26	0	28	296.00	690.50
622	Micaela A. de Soto.	216	0	50	20	1	28	274.00	767.25
623	Fernando Murillo Rodriguez	177	2	00	15	8	21	567.00	1614.20
624	Ramuel Valverde Madrigal	1025	2	00	21	5	5	714.50	1795.50
625	Saúl Calvo, J. ap.	619	1	00	23	4	5	552.20	1267.05
626	Manuel Arrieta	2951	1	00	00	3	13	111.00	985.95
627	J. Tranquilino Barquero L.	1316	2	00	20	4	16	704.50	1618.90
628	Francisco de Medalla Z.	2550	1	00	5	1	11	15.00	1334.50
629	Nazario Castro Abarca	602	2	00	24	4	27	765.00	1794.30
630	Antia M. de Lizano	431	1	00	25	3	27	562.00	1404.75
631	Federico Frisán F.	181	2	00	24	0	7	762.50	1809.35
632	José Arguedas de Cruz	2496	0	50	5	10	9	90.00	734.20
633	Rafael C. de Umaña	1525	2	00	16	6	19	622.50	1809.35
634	Teodoro Picado Marin	1798	1	00	15	9	27	432.50	1417.50
635	Teodoro Chaves Crdenas	1146	1	00	21	0	7	527.00	1416.50
636	José V. de los Angeles	1347	1	00	20	2	7	621.00	1417.50
637	Carlos J. Peralta E.	423	1	00	25	2	26	567.50	1417.50
638	Enrique Montiel Lacayo	932	5	00	22	3	15	912.50	2026.10
639	Graciela C. de Carballo	2896	0	50	10	10	10	17.00	5431.10
640	Antonio Peña Velazco	1122	0	50	10	0	6	237.00	775.85
641	Juan Ferrás Rivera	1282	0	50	20	9	26	283.50	775.85
642	Gral. Luis Mena U.	1517	2	00	19	6	24	707.00	1797.90
643	Manuel Ortúño Bonilla	217	1	00	28	4	19	585.50	1406.26
644	Esmeralda Murillo de Meza	1013	0	50	21	1	25	291.00	767.10

38 deaths liquidated, € 18,969,500 € 50,791,665

Es realmente una lástima que los méritos de esta Sociedad no estén tomados en cuenta por las familias TICAS, considerando los beneficios derivados para las familias dignas. Es una necesidad que las cabezas de todas las familias sean miembros de esta Sociedad. Los hijos serian socios con la idea de proteger a sus padres en caso de ser sorprendidos por el último estado de la humanidad. Piense Ud. en la satisfacción de un padre o de un hijo en sus últimos momentos al tener el pensamiento de que se va, pero que la madre o la querida esposa no quedan a la merced de la caridad de este cruel mundo.

Los sacerdotes, los maestros de educación deben imponerse la alta obligación de aconsejar a todas sus congregaciones, alumnos y padres de familia lo necesario que es vivir en este mundo con la idea que han hecho todo lo bueno posible, pues no es caridad solamente dar 25 céntimos al mendigo en la calle, que caridad es también velar por el porvenir de la madre, la hermana o la esposa, procurando estrechar entre una y otra los vínculos de familia, procurando estrechar la caridad a ellas. Aquí está la lista de pólizas liquidadas por la Sociedad en el año 1928. Hágase Ud. socio hoy mismo y a su muerte su familia no verá la miseria, porque Jesús Christ set us a thought in his Resurrection on the third day, but why should this gathering be on the ninth night we are still asking and one has been able to answer. The memory of ones dead is sacred and prayers are offered for the repose of the souls of the departed at intervals, but where does this manifestation of ignorance and lawlessness during the night come in one is at a loss to conceive. The authorities in Costa Rica are very considerate to foreigners as to privileging them their habits and Customs, and so these things are permitted to go on but if the lower class of coloured people would just begin to get away from their lower nature and think they would see that this scandal is not indulged in by any other race. In the first instance it is an infringement on the rights of other citizens who are prevented from sleeping, because it is on a par with the howling of mongrel dogs at nights so hateful to us all; on the other hand it seems to be a degradation to the respect of the dead in question, then again, it is lawless because, the laws of no country permits any such things to be done, so we write this with the hope that the better informed coloured people will discontinue this practice and advise their less informed friends how hideous this thing appears in the sight of other peoples, so that they may desist in the Custom.

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West Indian...

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tion of research, loans for new machinery, etc. at existing prices, even if the cost of production in the West Indies could be brought down to that prevailing in Cuba, sugar would still be produced in those Colonies at a loss if the existing tariff preference were to be removed. We have been informed that it is less to press for the maintenance, much less the increase of the preference, its ultimate removal being part of

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of the present Government. Consequently we can only hope that economic and financial considerations will lead to a postponement of the date on which sugar duty is ultimately to go, but the British West Indian Sugar industry cannot live on that hope alone. Arrangements for cultivation have to be made two years ahead. Consequently, it seems to us that nothing short of a promise of subsidies on the lines of those granted to home beet, to place the West Indian sugar industry immediately in a position to compete successfully in the world's markets.

With the guarantee of continuity such as competing countries rely upon so confidently would meet the case, and it is for this that the Members of the West India Committee recently pressed at their interview with Lord Olivier in this connection we might point out that to grant subsidies to the British Colonial as distinct from the Dominion sugar industry, which is already amply protected by its own Government, would be considerably cheaper than assistance by form of preference, in view of the fact that the preference is granted to the Dominions as well as to the Colonies.

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