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TRADE WITH COLONIES.

Chamberlain is Carrying Out His Ideas of Commercial Imperialism.

London, Feb. 3.—Mr. Chamberlain, whose energy is phenomenal, gave proof last week of the utility, from his point of view, of commercial Imperialism. In this case the United States is one of the sufferers. Recently Mr. Seddon, the New Zealand Premier, protested against army contracts going to the Argentine when the colonies were ready to offer equally good terms. As a result of the protest the government has announced in parliament that, while Great Britain has not responded to Canada's preferential tariff with British tariff preferences for colonial products, it is a rule of the great spending departments, whenever the colonies can meet the requirements of military and naval contracts in time, price and quality, to favor them before American, Argentina and all other foreign competitors.

It also appears that heavy orders for canned meats, hay, saddlery and jam, which formerly would have gone to the United States, now go to Australia and Canada. What is more important, the colonies are increasing their productive properties and are likely to get a still larger share of such orders in the near future.

While the government is thus moving in the line of Mr. Chamberlain's idea of Imperialism, the advocates of state granaries have been trying to persuade parliament to adopt their program and store wheat against a possible day of famine in war time. Their plan is to expend $150,000,000 in the construction of granaries and $5,000,000 per annum in filling them with wheat. But the Commons will have none of it. Even the president of the Board of Trade ridiculed the scheme, and Sir William Harcourt, in a facetious speech, asked why it was not proposed to store all the necessaries in the same way.

The notion prevailing is that a big fleet is cheaper and safer than granaries, especially as the American wheat sellers would contrive to elude any blockade of British ports in time of war.

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For the swift alleviation of the evils of the nation is her foreordained vocation on this sublunary shore.
She can lecture by the hour, with incomparable power, on the gloomy clouds that lower o'er the country's fair domain,
And you weep for eve and Adam, for the devil ne'er had had 'em if they'd only known the madam, and we'd all been proud of Cain.
And while thus she's up and coming, always hurrying and humming, and occasionally slumming, this reformer of renown,
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HAMILTON NEWS

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TO-DAY IN HAMILTON.

County Council, 10 a.m.
Walker Cup curling at Thistle rink, 10.30 a.m.
Meeting of County L.O.L., 3 p.m.
Conservative Club hop, 8 p.m.
Burlesque show at Star Theatre, 8 p.m.
Board of Works, 8 p.m.
Harbor Committee, 8 p.m.
Fireman's inquest, 8 p.m.
Art School Board, 8 p.m.
Davidsons, fancy skaters, at Thistle Rink.
Garrison indoor baseball, 8 p.m.
Russell-Weber concert in Association Hall, 8 p.m.

COMPLAIN ABOUT LAUNDRIES

Board of Health Asked to Take Action to See Chinese Observe Sanitary Laws.

COUNTY COUNCIL GETS DOWN TO WORK

Deadlock Broken and Standing Committees Struck—A Bad Runaway.

Hamilton, Feb. 3.—At to-night's meeting of the Board of Health, W. T. Armour, on behalf of the Laundrymen's Association, asked that the board take action to see if the Chinese laundries are observing the sanitary laws of the city. It is reported, he said, that some of these laundries have no sewer connection, and that soapy water is thrown into the back yards. Also that the Mongolians sleep in the soiled linen left with them. The Medical Health Officier was instructed to see that these places are inspected at once. The board passed the estimates for the year at $12,865. This includes $1000 for a pest house. Last year the expenditure was $11,500.

This evening the Young Ladies' Sodality of St. Patrick's Church held a concert in the C.M.B.A. Hall. Among those who took part were: Misses M. Donovan, G. Land, M. Lovering, Mae Flanders, Nina Phelan, M. Dermody and Mrs. McDonald. Dr. J. C. McCabe gave an address on English literature. Rev. Father Coty presided.

Newsboys Entertained.

The Newsboys' Club quarters, South Macnab-street, was opened to-night, when about 50 "newsies" were tendered a supper by Mrs. T. H. Pratt, Miss A. Hendrie and Miss Osborne.

A horse belonging to Ryckman, a Macnab-street grocer, ran away in the heart of the city to-night and did considerable damage.

Beer War Threatened.

Last week a deputation of outside brewers came here and waited on one local brewer, asking him to raise the price to what it is in Toronto and other Canadian cities—$6 a barrel in Hamilton the price is $5. Two local brewers agreed to an increase, it is said, but one held out. This one was told that unless he agreed to increase the price, carloads of beer would be shipped in and sold at slaughter prices.

Saving by Machinery.

The Engineer's Department has received information regarding the use of trenching machinery, which will make a great saving in the cost of construction of sewers. It is figured out that this machinery will lessen the cost of the Catharine-street sewer by $3000.

The Deadlock Broken.

This morning the deadlock in the County Council over the passing of the Striking Committees report was the Striking Committee's report was submitted, and it went. This provided for the substitution of the name of Councillor Millen for that of Councillor Martin on the Court House Committee, Councillor Boyle for Councillor Patterson on the Governor's Road Commission, and Councillor Patterson for Councillor Boyle on the Saltfleet Road Commission. The only change of importance in this new draft was the placing of a second Conservative on the Court House Committee, namely, Councillor Millen.

The Council then settled down to business.

Minor Mention.

James Russell, superintendent of the asylum, is suing George E. Martin, Kaslo, B.C., formerly a barrister of this city, for $300 on a promissory note that was given in 1894. Martin formerly lived here.

Edward McIntyre of Wood, Vallance & Co., who has resigned to accept a position with the Zanzibar Paint Company, Toronto, has been presented with a solid gold chain and locket by his fellow employes.

10c cigars, 4 for 25c at Noble's. 24

Mr. John Dickenson, M.L.A., who has been ill for some days, was able to sit up to-day. He has a slight attack of pneumonia.

Daniel Collins, a city employe, fell and broke his hip in front of the City Hall this morning.

Miss Kate Turnbull, sister of James Turnbull of The Spectator office, died of pneumonia.

WILL MAKE POLICE CLOTHES

Fralick & Co. Put in a Tender Lower Than Last Year's and Get Contract.

THE SEPARATE SCHOOL BOARD MET

The Sum of $13,500 Will Be Expended This Year—How It is Raised.

Hamilton, Feb. 3.—The Markets Committee had a busy session this evening. The aldermen discussed the elevator question for some time. Ald. Kingdon wanted to know how it came about that the water pressure was turned on full at times, which was wrong.

Chairman Nicholson explained that in order to prevent tampering with the hydraulic machinery he had got new locks put on the entrances to the machinery department, and the elevator man alone had keys for them.

Police Clothing.

Fralick & Co. were the only tenderers for the police clothing, their prices being lower than last year. The tender was accepted. The committee decided to dispense with an inspection of clothing.

For a time the aldermen talked of putting up the John-street Market fees to the highest bidder. The matter was eventually dropped.

Free Roads, Free Market.

Ald. Nicholson and Ald. Burkholder were appointed to meet the County Council Committee to talk free-roads-free-market.

The committee has been charged for the carters' stands expenses, but the committee to-night decided it would not stand for the bills.

These estimates were agreed on as the only ones that would satisfy the committees' yearnings: City Hall, $4000; markets, $5837; scales, $8100; jail, $5000. Total $17,937.

Separate School Board.

The Separate School Board met this evening, with James Blake in the chair. The estimates, as presented by H. N. Thomas, chairman of the Finance Committee, were approved. They call for an expenditure of $13,500. The Catholic taxpayers will pay $11,500 of the amount, $1000 being from fees and $1000 government grant. The expenditures include $6290 for teachers' salaries, and $3000 for debentures and interest. The caretakership of St. Mary's School is vacant, and C. Childs was appointed caretaker for one month on trial at $30 per month.

SHAKEN BY AN EARTHQUAKE.

Quebec, Feb. 3.—At a quarter to eight this morning the country as far as Rimouski was severely shaken by an earthquake.

The Fame of St. Peter's.

Altho the Cathedral of St. Peter at Rome, "the pride of the popes," has been mercilessly criticized by architects, and may perhaps be technically defective in many of its details, it is, nevertheless, the most majestic structure ever erected by human hands, says W. E. Curtis in The Chicago Record-Herald. And, whether judged as an architectural monument or by its historical associations and significance, is of equal interest to all men as the scene of the martyrdom of the apostle, the centre of the religious world, the most eloquent expression of ecclesiastical authority and power in existence, the cradle of Christianity, the cornerstone of the faith which governs and consoles civilized nations. Even Gibbon, an atheist, to whim nothing was sacred, pronounced it "the mast glorious temple ever raised."

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Chinchilla Muffs, regular 35.00, for $25.00.
Mink Muffs, regular 20.00 and 25.00, for $20.00 and $18.00.
Alaska Sable Muffs, regular 10.00, for $8.00.
Extra Alaska Sable Muffs, reg. 13.50, for $10.00.
Ermine Muffs, regular 35.00, for $25.00.
All articles in rare furs, such as Russian Sable, Hudson Bay Sable, Cinnamon and Isabella Bear, Stone Marten, Ermine, etc., reduced in price. White and Blue Fox Sets at almost cost prices.
Long Double Columbia Sable Boas, 72 inches in length from tip to tip, with 6 and 8 tails, were 12.00, for $8.00.
Electric Seal and Blue Grey Opossum Long Front Caperines, were 15.00, for $10.00.
Western Sable and Persian Lamb Caperines, were 25.00, for $18.00.
Alaska Seal and Persian Lamb Caperines, were 30.00, for $22.50.
Columbia Sable Scarfs, regular 6.00, for $6.00; 7.50, for $6.50; 10.00, for $6.50.

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CAN GIVE TO WHISKEY 'AGE'

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the still with the noxious components in the new whiskey, and that thus the liquor was practically distilled over, becomes quite pure. The poisons were, in fact, removed entirely from the whiskey.

Before beginning his discourse, Professor Hewitt pointed out that the badness of new whiskey is due to the presence of certain deleterious substances, known chemically as aldehydes, which, in ordinary language, were generally grouped together with some other substances and known as fusel oil.

Can Detect Furfurol.

Back in 1881, Sir Thomas Lauder Brunton had told the British Spirit Commission the most dangerous of these substances was that called furfurol. It was not, however, as Professor Hewitt explained, difficult to detect the presence of furfurol in whiskey, the process being the simple one of adding a little aniline and acetic acid to the spirit. If the furfurol were present, the mixture turned to a bright pink, and the pink became deeper in color, according to the amount of furfurol the spirit contained.

There was, of course, one way of eliminating these poisonous aldehydes, and that was the long and costly process of storing whiskey in casks for several years, preferably in casks that had contained sherry. This process, however, had its drawbacks. A good deal of the alcohol was lost, and the spirit consequently became weaker, while there also was, of necessity, a loss of interest on the capital laid out while the whiskey was maturing during several years.

Increases the Cost.

Economic considerations also entered into the problem, for this maturing process added considerably to the cost of the whiskey by the time it reached the consumer.

The irresistible conclusion, therefore, was that the cheaper a whiskey is the more poison it contains. Innumerable attempts had been made to hasten the process of "aging" the spirit, but without consideration for the public health, and always in the interests of the manufacturers. Even from these two points of view, Professor Hewitt contended, it was extremely desirable that some effective means should be discovered of ridding this beverage of its poisonous constituents quickly and in such a fashion that even the cheapest whiskey might not have the results which the consumption of cheap or unmatured whiskey by the poorer classes undoubtedly entailed.

Process is Complete.

The professor then gave a few more particulars of his manner of "aging" the whiskey. The most important point in his disclosures, however, was that by his process a few months were all that was necessary to convert the raw product of the distillery into a fine, mature and, most important of all, a wholesome beverage.

After a brief discussion, in which the importance of the professor's statement was commented upon, more especially in the relation of the amount of whiskey always in bond in Great Britain, Professor Hewitt exhibited several samples of spirit that had been treated under his formula. They were passed around and "sampled" by the scientists amid much amusing comment. The specimens appeared to be beautifully clear and pure to the eye, and without the high colors associated with most blends of whiskey.

Dr. Hewitt has conducted his experiments, not only in the laboratory of the East London Technical College, but, also, on a large scale, at one of the big Scotch distilleries.

FIRST GUN FIRED.

Sifton and Richardson Meet at Cartwright on Same Platform.

Winnipeg, Man., Feb. 3.—The first gun in the Lisgar bye-election was fired to-night at a meeting held at Cartwright, where Sifton and Richardson were present. It was held in the interests of the government candidate.

The Free Press to-night says: "Hon. Mr. Sifton, Mr. Greenway, Mr. McCreary, M.P., Mr. Norris, M.L.A., A. C. Fraser of Brandon and several other well-known Liberals will address the constituency during the campaign. Nominations for the Lisgar election takes place at Baldur on Feb. 11, between 12 and 2 o'clock. There are 78 polling places in the constituency.

BREACH OF FAITH.

Manitoba Prohibitionists Will Take No Part in Referendum.

Winnipeg, Feb. 3.—Hugh Armstrong was nominated to-day by the Conservatives to contest Portage La Prairie in the bye-election. A prohibition convention will be held to-morrow, but a despatch says a candidate will not be placed in the field, and the temperance people may withhold action until the general elections. A number of clergymen and businessmen have issued a manifesto showing why electors should take no part in the referendum on prohibition. They charge Roblin with breach of faith.

FOUR DEATHS WITHIN TWO WEEKS

Five Deaths in Johnston Family in a Little Over a Year.

St. Thomas, Feb. 3.—Miss Hannah Johnston, a sister of J. Johnston, baggageman, St. Clair Branch of the M.C.R., died at Courtright on Saturday from typhoid-pneumonia, and the funeral took place on Sunday to the Sutherland Cemetery. The family has been sorely afflicted, this being the fourth death within two weeks, the mother and three daughters passing away. It is the fifth death in a little over a year, the father dying about a year ago. One daughter is still ill.

SON OF A HAMILTON MAN

Died in Buffalo From Effects of Morphine Poisoning.

Buffalo, Feb. 3.—Alfred C. MacKeand, said to be the son of a prominent manufacturer of Hamilton, Ont., died at the Tifft House to-night from morphine poisoning. The police believe the drug was taken with suicidal intent.

$200 FROM A BAR.

Quebec, Feb. 3.—The bar of the Chateau Frontenac was entered this morning and $200 extracted.

CANADA STORM STRUCK

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night is stalled at Tweed. On board is Hon. J. I. Tarte, who is on his way to attend the launching of the new steamer Montreal at the Bertram shipyards and the banquet fixed for this evening. The Canada Atlantic, which pulled out from Montreal at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon for Ottawa, only reached here at 7.20 this morning. It should have got here at 10 o'clock last night.

ROOF BLOWN OFF.

Wind Sixty Miles an Hour Swept St. John, N.B.

St. John, N.B., Feb. 3.—Last night's storm was the worst in years. Great damage was done to property in the city. The York Cotton Mills, at the east end of the city, lost the roof, and suffered other damage. The opera house roof is gone, scenery, auditorium, and lobby badly damaged. The Baker Company was obliged to abandon its performance until temporary repairs are made. Jones' brewery, the Court House, waterworks building, McAvity's, and many private residences suffered by the storm. The wind was from the southeast and 60 miles an hour.

DAMAGE IN NOVA SCOTIA.

Many Vessels on Shore—Loss Will Reach $20,000.

Halifax, N. S., Feb. 3.—Sunday night's storm, which swept over Nova Scotia, was the most violent experienced in years. The wind reached hurricane force, and the tides were extraordinarily high. An immense amount of damage has been done to shipping along the western coast, but, so far, no loss of life has been reported.

The brig Ora, from Annapolis, for the West Indies, went ashore on Condon's Point, near Digby, and is badly damaged. The crew was saved. The masts are out of the vessel, and she is half-full of water.

Several other schooners are also ashore near Digby Gut. Three schooners are ashore on the Mud Flats at Liverpool, but none of them is badly injured.

Great damage was wrought by the storm at Lunenburg, and the fishing fleet has been seriously crippled. It is estimated that the damage to shipping alone will amount to $20,000. Fifteen schooners, some of them ashore, and others in collision, have been damaged as a result of the gale.

The brig Leo is also ashore, and is in a bad position. Several vessels have cargoes of salt, and they are all more or less damaged. The telegraph, telephone and electric light service were all interrupted to-night by the storm, and they are not in working order yet. The trains due here to-night are all behind time.

WORLD'S W.C.T.U. CONVENTION

Will Be Held This Year in London—Next Year in Ottawa.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—It is probable that the World's W.C.T.U. convention, of which Lady Henry Somerset is president, will not be held in Ottawa next summer, as Lady Somerset decided last year. She thinks now, according to a letter read this afternoon at a meeting of the Ottawa W.C.T.U., that she will not be able to stand the ocean voyage, and, besides, she points out that coronation ceremonies will attract large numbers to England, and that it would, therefore, be advisable to hold the convention in London in 1902, but the convention of 1903, she thinks, might well be held in Ottawa.

CANADA IN THE OLD LAND.

Will Be Represented at Exhibitions at London and Cork.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—Mr. W. D. Scott, who represented Canada at the Glasgow Exhibition last year, leaves tomorrow for New York to sail by the steamer Oceanic for Liverpool, so as to have the Canadian exhibit arranged for the opening of the Colonial Exposition, which is to be held at the Royal Exchange, in London, and is to be opened by the Prince of Wales on March 1. Canada will exhibit chiefly minerals, timber and fruits, in competition with similar exhibits from the other colonies. Mr. Scott will also arrange the Canadian exhibits for the exhibition which will consist, chiefly of natural products. Simultaneous with this will be the Cork Exhibition, to be opened during the first week in May by His Majesty, King Edward VII., to which the Dominion will contribute a special line of exhibits under Mr. Scott's control.

SNOW STOPPED SERMON.

North Toronto, Feb. 3.—The Rev. J. C. Tibb was unable to fulfil his ministerial duties at the Bethesda Presbyterian Church yesterday afternoon. J. J. Gartshore accompanied Mr. Tibb in the sleigh, but after proceeding some distance they were unable to continue, and returned home, the Presbyterians of Bethesda having to dispense with their usual service.

BOY BUILDING.

That is the Mission of Good Food

There is an abundance of proof that food can be selected that will build up a brain as well as body.

One case is that of a boy and the description is given by his mother. She says: "This particular son has always had a delicate stomach, and when he was an infant had cholera infantum two or three seasons in succession; he was exceedingly hard to raise, and was not well enough to go to school when he became old enough."

The mother says: "Finally we concluded to put him on Grape-Nuts exclusively and see what the food would do for him. We did, and to our great astonishment our boy improved daily. He is now hearty and getting along in school unusually well. He still depends upon Grape-Nuts for a goodly share of his diet.

"Whenever children are hungry at bedtime it is always safe to let them eat Grape-Nuts and let them go to bed. I came to know of the value of Grape-Nuts by using it myself, and found that I was unusually well nourished and gained rapidly in strength.

"Please do not use my name. By the way, we abandoned coffee in our family several years ago, and have always used Postum since. Would as soon have the flour barrel empty as be out of Postum." Name can be given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

WERE DINED BY BERTRAM CO.

Directors of R. & O. Navigation Co. and Many Guests Celebrate at McConkey's

LAUNCHING OF THE MONTREAL

Importance of Development of Ship-Building Emphasized By the Speakers.

Last night the Bertram Engine Works Co. tendered a banquet to the directors and officers of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company, who were in the city attending the launching of the steamer Montreal. The banquet took place in the large and spacious parlors of the McConkey Cafe, West King-street. Seldom, if ever, has a more representative gathering of Canada's shipbuilding interests been held in Toronto to do honor to any one firm. Around the festive board were seated over 100 railway and steamboat magnates and the event proved most enjoyable. The menu was first-class and was served in Ernest McConkey's best style. The flowers were provided by Fred C. W. Brown.

A Distinguished Company.

Mr. John Bertram, president of the Bertram Engine Works Company, presided. On his right sat William Wainwright, vice-president of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company; on his left, Hon. Senator Cox. Others around the festive board were: Arendt Augstrom, manager, and C. J. Stalker, secretary of the Bertram Engine Works; Lieut.-Col. Pellatt, A. E. Ames, President of the Board of Trade; E. R. Osler, M.P., W. D. Matthews, Mayor Hawland, Mr. Justice Maclennan, Lieut.-Col. Henshaw, Montreal; William Mackenzie, A. E. Kemp, M.P., W. F. Maclean, M. P., Leighton McCarthy, M.P., Dan Mann, Elias Rogers, John Waldie, J. Doland Morrison, marine editor of The Montreal Witness; George Watson, K.C., W. H. Moore, Joseph P. Dolan, R. & O. agent at Montreal; Burton H. Bennett, Chicago and Northwestern Railroad; H. M. Paterson, manager of the Richelieu Manior Hotel at Murray Bay; George Marks, Port Arthur; W. A. Gunn, superintendent, and E. H. Keating, general manager of the Toronto Railway Company; A. Peterson, R. B. Hutchison, W. T. Stewart, W. H. Smith, D. L. White, A. A. Wright, H. O. Macpherson, J. P. Northey, R. H. McBride, Lieut.-Col. Nelles, F. B. Polson, Melville Bertram, Norman Mathews, Arthur White, Capt. Crangie, Capt. Gilbert, Johnston, William German, M.P., George Caverhill, H. M. Molson, H. Foster Chaffee, western agent of the R. & O. Co.; John Langmuir, E. R. Wood, Aemilius Jarvis, J. B. Miller, City Engineer Rust, Lt.-Col. Mason, A. H. Notman, C.P.R.; James T. Matthews, John Galt, Barlow Cumberland, Ald. Lamb, Ald. Hubbard, A. B. Lee, J. H. G. Hagarty, T. G. Blackburn, J. Ross Robertson, W. Turner, C. H. Chick, G. C. Jones, G.T.R.; Mr. Pense M.L.A. for Kingston, H. R. Freeland, Capt. Anthony Malone, C. H. A. Bond, M. Tait, Allan Royce, A. L. E. Davies, L. Lukes, S. D. Lauder.

The Toast List.

After extending a hearty welcome to all present, Mr. Bertram proposed the health of "The King," which was honored by the singing of the National Anthem. The toast of "The Directors and Officers of the Richelieu & Ontario Navigation Company," was responded to by Mr. Wainwright, Lt.-Col. Henshaw and C. F. Gildersleve. Mr. Wainwright paid a high tribute to Hon. Senator Forget, president of the R. & O. Line, and to A. Augstrom, the capable general manager of the Bertram Engine Works Company. The speaker stated that they hadn't yet finished with the Bertram Company. Their connection with the company was only beginning. The steamers Toronto and Kingston were "walking" advertisements of the work to be turned out by Bertram Company. If the Montreal proved a success another order would shortly be placed with the company. Lieut.-Col. Henshaw referred to the progressiveness of the Bertram Company and to the public enterprise of the people of Western Canada. "Give Frenchmen Half a Chance," said the popular Montrealer, "and they will stay by you." Mr. Gilders'eeve gave some interesting accounts of the early days of the R. & O. Line.

In proposing the health of "Our Brave Defenders," the chairman said that no function would be complete unless Canada's soldiers were referred to. This toast was ably replied to by Lieut.-Col. Mason and Lieut.-Col. Pellatt, who told of the great fame won by the soldiers of Canada in South Africa.

W. F. Maclean, M.P., replied to "Canada and the Empire." He said that Canadians were here to stay and it was their duty to build up the country and make it a part of the empire. There was a necessity of building Canadian steamships and extending Canadian trade. Mr. Maclean was glad to hear Toronto well spoken of by Montreal men.

Mr. E. B. Osler pointed out that every person was interested in the development of Canada. He thought that the St. Lawrence route was the coming grain carrying route. "We ought to press on the government," he said, "the necessity of developing the transportation facilities of the country. There is a firm here to build steamships, as has often been demonstrated."

Mr. Angstrom thought that shipbuilding in Canada was in its infancy. He said that the government of Canada should assist in developing the industry.

Other speakers were: D. Mann, W. D. Matthews, Mr. Nicholls, Barlow Cumberland, Thomas Long of Collingwood, R. M. Bertram, Mayor Howland, Leighton McCarthy, M.P., and A. E. Ames.

During the evening solos were rendered by A. L. E. Davies and piano selections by Charles Aggett.

"The British Giant."

The biggest man in the diplomatic corps in Washington is Arthur Stewart Reikes, the new first secretary of the British Embassy, says The Chicago News. He is a fraction of an inch less than seven feet tall and is built in proportion to his height. Lord Pauncefote, the British Ahmassador is a large man—over six feet tall—but he looks like a pygmy when walking with the first secretary. The other day the first secretary accompanied Lord Pauncefote to the State Department, where Mr. Reikes was presented to Secretary Hay. Both wore frock coats and high hats, as is usual when the members of the diplomatic corps pay official visits. Mr. Reikes' hat, being made in proportion to its wearer, its top brushed the electric lights which are suspended from the ceilings in the corridors of the state, war and navy building as he made his way to the Secretary's office. On entering the door to Secretary Hay's room the Englishman had to stoop to avoid breaking his hat. Mr. Hay had to reach up very high in order to grasp his hand. The new first secretary is a Cambridge man and has been in the British diplomatic service since 1879. He has served at Athens, Berlin, Brussels, Copenhagen and in various South American capitals. In all of these places his immense size won for him the cognomen "the British giant." He says the only time his size embarrasses him is when he walks on the street and boys follow him and make remarks which reach his ear.

Why Marquis Ito Refused a Pass.

From The Philadelphia Post.

Marquis Ito, the Japanese statesman, said while in St. Paul recently that of all the American customs that impressed him as peculiar the free transportation extended by the railroads of this country seemed most odd.

"Why," said he, "should a railroad give away tickets? Every bit of mileage to them is the same as a piece of cloth to a dry goods firm. In Japan every one has to pay for his transportation. I never rode on a Japanese railroad for nothing in my life."

When the marqui sand party decided to proceed east from St. Paul over the Milwaukee line the officials of the road extended to the distinguished Japanese and his companions the courtesy of thel ine, and informed Mr. Ito's private secretary that the tickets and the private car would cost nothing. The secretary was visibly embarrassed and shook his head dubiously as he left the office of the company to convey the startling information to his master. Shortly afterward Marqius Ito appeared at the railway office and insisted on paying for the tickets and the use of the special car.

"I have no claim on your esteemed company," said the Oriental. "I should not feel ringht in travelling over your excellent road without paying for the great pleasure."

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