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something like twenty-five. I believe that the number of young men and young women included in that service has increased since I left Ottawa yesterday afternoon. I recall signing a recommendation by the Cabinet to His Excellency the Governor General for the appointment of additional Consuls General to the United States. Our friend, Mr. Scully, as Consul General here in New York, has set such a splendid example of the value to both countries of the kind of services he performs, that we have felt we should send Consuls General to other great cities of the United States.

During the period of time of which I have been speaking, we have had the honour of receiving in Canada, as I have said, many diplomats from other countries. I see here this afternoon my good friend Baron Silvercruys. While he was Minister and Ambassador from Belgium to Canada, he was a nearby neighbour of mine. He is now Ambassador of Belgium to this great country. He and others have created in Ottawa a circle representative of the leading countries of the world which has now grown to a considerable size. All of this has come about within a very short period.