

tion held for the purpose that evening in the Manitoba Hotel. This party was followed by two others, who made a short stay in the city, passing on to the west. From the public addresses given by some of the eminent scientists who composed the party, on their return to Great Britain and the Continental countries of Europe, much attention has been drawn to the capabilities of Canada.

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#### POST OFFICE BOXES.

Learning that it was under contemplation by the Post Office Authorities to make some changes in the interior of the Winnipeg Post Office, a committee of the Council communicated with the Department of Public Works and the Post Master General, requesting that a number of lock boxes larger than those then provided, should be constructed for use by persons and firms receiving large quantities of mail matter. Some forty large boxes were so provided, to the great convenience of those who secured them.

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#### COLLECTION FROM STREET LETTER BOXES.

A deputation from the Council in September last waited on the Post Office Inspector here, representing that, as the morning collection in the business part of the city was made about 9 o'clock, letters mailed after that hour were not collected in time for dispatch by the east or south trains, and in consequence such letters had to remain over until the following day at noon, and that an additional collection should be made in the business part of the city about the noon hour,