

tion held, however, that the preferable method was to have the meeting purely an American conference, with the Canadians present on the footing of visitors.

In accordance with this decision, the conference was attended by the Honorary Secretary, the Honorary Treasurer and the Organising Secretary. Other Canadians who visited it were the Hon. Chief Justice Howell, of Winnipeg; Mr. Justice Sutherland, of Toronto; Mr. G. W. Ganong, of St. Stephen, N.B.; Mr. O. M. Biggar, of Edmonton, Alta.; Messrs. J. Basingthwaite and G. W. Rudlen, of Sault Ste. Marie, Ont., representing the Branch Committee in that city; Mayor Clay, Aldermen P. M. Keogh and H. J. Mackay, and Mr. C. L. Barker, of Windsor; Aldermen J. Winterburn and C. Chilvers, of Walkerville; Mayor Donnelly and Reeve McKee, of Sandwich, representing the Branch Committee of Windsor and district, Ont.; Rev. A. C. Mackintosh, Mrs. Mackintosh and Miss Green, of Fort Erie, Ont. The total number of Canadians who visited the conference was twenty.

The American delegates to the conference numbered about 100. Two came from as far west as Seattle; others were from the prairie States; a good delegation from Chicago was present. The Governor of Michigan attended, showed great interest, and spoke repeatedly, with excellent effect. Judge Alton B. Parker, of New York, acted as Presiding Officer, displaying equal interest and efficiency. The Hon. Thos. O'Brien, of Grand Rapids, Mich., former American Ambassador to Italy, acted as Chairman of the Committee on Resolutions, and a namesake of his, the Right Rev. F. A. O'Brien, of Kalamazoo, Mich., former Papal Alegate, took a prominent part. Our excellent friend, Mr. John A. Stewart, of course, was present as the motive force.

The Conference met on the afternoon of July 21st, heard a number of addresses and appointed Committees. In the evening of the same day a public meeting was held which was addressed by Mr. Justice Day of the United States Supreme Court, whose summer residence is on Mackinac Island. His address, which was on the subject of Arbitration, included the following noteworthy tribute to the attitude of Great Britain towards the United States during the Spanish-American war of 1898—a tribute which derived great significance from the fact that the speaker was the United States Secretary of State during that period:—

"Circumstances gave me the opportunity to know something of the attitude of Great Britain towards the United States during and preceding the Spanish-American War. We ought never to forget the bearing of the English attitude toward us during those trying times. I speak of it the more willingly because of some misconstruction of