

PRINCE WELCOMED BY CHIEFS OF INDUSTRY

The Emperor Wished His - Brother to Meet Them.

J. Pierpont Morgan Presides at the Memorable Midday Luncheon— The Prince Talks with Many of the Hosts.

One of the most notable incidents in the history of New York occurred yesterday at Sherry's, where Prince Henry of Prussia sat down at luncheon with more than a hundred of the leaders in finance, commerce, and industry in the New World. The Prince entered thoroughly into the spirit of the luncheon, and contributed largely to the success of the function.

At the centre of the guests' table, which rested on a dais, was seated J. Pierpont Morgan, head of the banking house of J. P. Morgan & Co., and on his right sat the Prince. On Mr. Morgan's left was Dr. von Holleben, the German Ambassador, while on the Prince's left was Morris K. Jesup.

The others at this table were George F. Baker, President of the First National Bank; James Stillman, President of the National City Bank; William K. Vanderbilt, John Claflin, Alexander E. Orr, Edward D. Adams, a Director of more than two dozen American railroads; Ludwig M. Goldberger of Berlin; ex-Judge E. H. Gary, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the United States Steel Corporation; President John D. Rockefeller, and Vice President William Rockefeller of the Standard Oil Company; ex-Gov. Levi P. Morton, and ex-Mayor Abram S. Hewitt, together with these members of Prince Henry's suite:

Vice Admiral von Tirpitz, Vice Admiral von Seckendorf, Vice Admiral von Eisen-decker, Gen. von Plessen, Admiral von Baudissin, Capt. von Mueller, Commander von Grumme, Commander Hipper, Lieut. Commander Schmidt von Schwind, personal aide to the Prince, and the Presidential delegates, Rear Admiral Evans, Adj. Gen. Corbin, Assistant Secretary of State Hill, Sol. Bingham, and Commander Cowles.

The guests' table was at the western end of the large ballroom, which was magnificently decorated for the luncheon. Back of the chief table the conservatory was filled with palms and tropical plants. Among the palms and exotics were hung red lights and numbers of cages containing canary birds, which vied with a dozen banjos, mandolins, and guitars in filling the air with music. On the other three walls of the ballroom were hung splendid tapestries, and the luncheon was served by waiters clad in English Court livery, consisting of black coats with brass buttons, white waistcoats, neckties, and gloves, and black plush breeches. The guests' table was crescent-shaped.

Facing it were two rows of five tables each, all of which were crescent shaped, with the concave side of the crescents toward the guests' table. At each of these tables were seated ten persons, all of them on the outer curve of the crescent. The effect of this arrangement was that every person seated at these ten tables sat facing the royal guest, who was clad in the fatigue uniform of an Admiral of the German Imperial Navy. To each person was presented an illuminated book containing the names of those at the luncheon, with a brief statement of their position in the world of commerce and industry.

Each table was draped with fishnets, completely hidden with a lavish burden of Virginia creeper, smilax, and American Beauty roses, while on either end of the tables stood silver jardinières filled with bunches of lilacs. At the main entrance, directly across the ballroom from the Prince, were two stands of American flags, each stand also containing one German flag.

THE MEN PRESENT.

At the ten smaller tables were seated many persons of equal commercial and financial position with those who lunched at the Prince's table. Among those at these tables were: Charles M. Schwab, President of the United States Steel Corporation; Henry O. Havemeyer, President of the American Sugar Refining Company; James B. Duke, President of the American Tobacco Company; Mayor Low, Alexander Graham Bell and Thomas A. Edison, the inventors; E. J. Berwind, President of the Berwind-White Coal Company; E. H. Harriman, President of the Union Pacific Railway; George J. Gould, President of the Missouri Pacific Railway Company; Daniel S. Lamont, Vice President of the Northern Pacific Railroad; H. H. Vreeland, President of the Metropolitan Street Railway Company; Alfred Skitt, Vice President of the Manhattan Railway Company; J. Edward Simmons, President of the Fourth National Bank; Consul General Buenz, John A. McCall, President of the New York Life Insurance Company; James W. Alexander, President of the Equitable Life Assurance Society; Lieut. Gov. Woodruff, ex-Attorney General Griggs, Senator Depew, Rear Admirals Melville and Walker, and Prof. Simon Newcomb.

The others, in addition to the officers of the Hohenzollern and the attachés of the German Embassy at Washington, were:

Dr. H. Wiegand,
Gustav W. Tietjens,
George Plate,
Albert Ballin,
Edward G. Acheson,
J. Ogden Armour,
George F. Baer,
John S. Billings,
E. W. Bliss,
Emil L. Boas,
Friedrich G. Bourne,
Henry P. Bowditch,
John A. Brashar,
Lewis Cass Ledyard,
Alexander E. Brown,
Charles F. Brush,
Adolphus Busch,
Alexander J. Cassatt,
Frank W. Cheney,
Duane H. Church,
Charles F. Clark,
William B. Cogswell,
John H. Converse,
Charles G. Crompton,
Francis B. Crocker,
Charles Deering,
Theodore L. De Vinne,
William B. Dodge,
Senator J. F. Dryden,
W. H. Dunwoody,
Marshall Field,
David E. Francis,
John Fritz,
James B. Grant,
Clement A. Griscom,
James D. Hague,
Charles M. Hall,
Marvin Hughitt,
Julian Kennedy,
Samuel P. Langley,

Robert T. Lincoln,
Johnston Livingston,
John Markie,
Samuel Mather,
J. Rogers Maxwell,
Charles S. Mellen,
Albert A. Michelson,
D. O. Mills,
S. Weir Mitchell,
Charles A. Moore,
George S. Morrison,
Henry Morton,
Franklin MacVeagh,
Max Nathan,
Friedrich Pabst,
William B. Parsons,
Edward C. Pickering,
Albert A. Pope,
Henry S. Pritchett,
Michael I. Pupin,
Norman B. Ream,
Edwin Reynolds,
W. A. Roebling,
Henry H. Rogers,
Gustav H. Schwab,
Irving M. Scott,
Coleman Sellers,
Samuel Spencer,
Francis J. Sprague,
Nicholas Tesla,
Elihu Thompson,
Robert H. Thurston,
Charles D. Walcott,
George G. Ward,
Levi C. Weir,
George Westinghouse,
Edward Weston,
F. Weyenhaeuser,
P. A. B. Widener.

The twelve boxes overlooking the luncheon party were decorated with smilax and American Beauty roses and were occupied by parties of eight ladies each. Among the ladies present were Mrs. Corbin, wife of the Adjutant General; Mrs. John D.

Rockefeller, Jr., Mrs. George J. Gould, and Mrs. Timothy L. Woodruff.

THE PRINCE'S ARRIVAL.

The guests began to arrive shortly after 11 o'clock, one of the first being Mayor Low, who came alone in an automobile. The Prince, who arose late on the Hohenzollern because of the festivities of the launching, the City Hall ceremonies, and the gala opera performance of Tuesday, had given up his morning to correspondence, and at 12:20 o'clock left the pier for Sherry's in an open barouche with Rear Admiral Evans. When the latter was going up the gangplank to meet Prince Henry he was asked what the plans of the day would be.

"I don't know," he replied, "but the Prince is a real good fellow. He is more like an American than any other foreigner I ever met here."

Following the open barouche were three other carriages containing the Prince's suite. Under the escort of Troop C, which moved at a brisk trot, the party went rapidly through Thirty-fourth Street and up Fifth Avenue to Sherry's. A slight delay occurred a few blocks from the pier. Two horses attached to a grain truck became startled at the sudden approach of the cavalcade and started across the street through the line of carriages in the Prince's party. Fortunately they did not break into a run and there was no collision.

At Sherry's Inspector Thompson and Capt. Lantry, with seventy-five policemen, held the large crowds in check. While the Prince was alighting, amid cheers, Sergt. Mangin of the Inspector's staff was knocked down by the pole of the Prince's carriage and stepped upon by one of the horses. He was attended by a physician, who sewed up a scalp wound caused by the pole, and was sent to his home in a carriage by the Inspector.

When the Prince learned at the luncheon that one of the policemen guarding him had been injured, he wrote a brief note of sympathy and ordered it sent to the injured Sergeant. In addition to the uniformed men, Capt. Titus and a detail of thirty-five detectives were scattered through the restaurant and ballroom.

The luncheon, which was managed as a private affair, was the outcome of the wish of the German Emperor that the Prince should meet informally and exchange ideas with the men who have advanced finance and trade in America. After some negotiations through diplomatic channels, the luncheon plan was inaugurated by the issuance of the following invitation to the men who attended the function of yesterday:

Believing that his Royal Highness Prince Henry of Prussia would be pleased to meet men prominently connected with the commerce and industry of the United States, an invitation has been extended to Prince Henry for a luncheon at Sherry's on Feb. 26, 1902, to meet 100 representative men identified with such business interests, which invitation has been accepted through the German Ambassador at Washington. The gentlemen giving the luncheon are as follows.

Morris K. Jesup,	J. Pierpont Morgan,
Edward D. Adams,	George F. Baker,
John Claflin,	Elbert H. Gary,
L. M. Goldberger,	Abram S. Hewitt,
Alexander E. Orr,	W. Rockefeller,
James Stillman,	W. K. Vanderbilt.

Prince Henry entered the ballroom abreast with J. Pierpont Morgan, followed by Ambassador von Holleben and Mr. Jesup and then by the others who sat at the guests' table. When all were seated the following menu was served:

Oeufs Neva.		
Homard Cardinal.		
Carre d'Agneau de Printemps.		
Points d'Asperges Nouvelle.		
Pommes Bermuda Rissolle.		
Terrapin.		
Canvasback Salade.		
Mousas au Fraises.		
Gateaux.	Fromage.	Fruits.
	Café.	
Moet & Chandon, '92.	Apollinaris.	
Johannisberger, '93.		

At the conclusion of the feasting, which lasted about an hour and a quarter, Mr. Morgan arose and proposed a toast to the President of the United States, and a second to the German Emperor, which were drunk standing. Again Mr. Morgan proposed a toast, and this time it was to Prince Henry of Prussia.

After it had been drunk, the Prince arose, and in response offered a toast to "The Captains of Industry and Commerce of the New World," which was greeted with hearty applause, and was also drunk standing. Then Mr. Morgan proposed a health to "The Ladies," and the men for once turned their backs to the Prince, swung around and faced the ladies in the balcony boxes, as they drank the toast amid a storm of acknowledgments with handkerchiefs and smiles.

GREETING THE HOSTS.

Once the formal drinking of toasts was concluded, the ten small tables were pushed toward the sides of the ballroom, thus making a clear central space. Prince Henry, with Mr. Morgan and Mr. Jesup beside him, took a position on the floor in front of the guests' table, while each man present was introduced to the Prince. To many of them the royal guest had a word or two to say, showing that he knew much of American commerce and industry and its leading figures. As soon as the formality of the introductions was over, the last bar to informal social intercourse disappeared.

Seating himself in a chair next to one occupied by Mr. Morgan, the Prince smoked cigarettes and chatted for a full hour with first one and then another, and then a group of men. Now and then he asked for some particular man. The first he asked for was President Schwab of the Steel Trust, with whom he chatted for some minutes. He also asked for Edward D. Adams and Clement A. Griscom. Gradually the participants left the hall.

With a flourish of trumpets at 3 o'clock the troopers drew up in the street, causing the waiting crowd to swell measurably in numbers, but it was forty minutes more before the Prince appeared at the street door accompanied by Rear Admiral Evans. Cheer upon cheer greeted the Prince as he was driven off behind the cavalcade, and he kept his hand at salute continually in acknowledgment.

Despite many efforts to obtain some definite idea of the cost of the lavish luncheon, which has been wildly estimated all the way from \$20,000 to \$300,000, the managers of the dinner would say nothing about the outlay of money required to entertain the Prince. It was the aim to invite no one because he was rich, but because he had some right to the title of "Captain of Industry."

The women in the balcony boxes were the guests of the wives of the hosts. The invitations to them requested their presence at 12 o'clock, and they were entertained by their hostesses at luncheon in the main dining room. Most of them appeared in the balcony of the ballroom just before the tables below were cleared. The invitations to each woman bore the number of the seat which she occupied in the balcony. One of the hosts, who gave out official information regarding the function, said that he did not think it would be in good taste to state who they were.

He also said that it had been the aim of those who gave the luncheon to conduct it in every essential as though it was an entertainment given in a private residence, and the hosts had sought in arrangements—menu, music, and all else—to avoid everything that savored of ostentation and display.

Each of the ladies at their own luncheon found at her plate a little bouquet of jessamines and gardenias, which it had been learned were Prince Henry's favorite flowers. These little bouquets were tied with ribbons of black, white, and red, the German colors, and when the Prince saw the ladies wearing these favors he sent for one himself and had it pinned to his coat lapel as a boutonniere.

Portrayed on the menu cards were Prince Henry's flag as an Admiralty, a black Maltese cross, interlined by white along the border, upon a white background, and the flag of the house of Hohenzollern. The latter flag had for its centre piece a Maltese cross, with white interlined border, a crown-surmounted wreath encircling a German eagle in the centre, and the four arms of the cross were embellished by the motto, "Gott Mit Uns," and the date "1870." Beneath the flags was inscribed the following:

<p>BREAKFAST TO H. R. H. PRINCE HENRY OF PRUSSIA. WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26TH, 1902. AT SHERRY'S, NEW YORK.</p>
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The inside of the cover was a plain white blank, and the menu page was decorated by pictorial presentation of the flags which in the international code for marine signaling signify "You are welcome to breakfast."