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and Development of the British Colonial Empire." Sir Angus treated this vast subject in a masterly manner, giving a concise *résumé* of the development of British Colonial expansion during the last three centuries.

M. Bon, on behalf of the City Swiss Club, thanked Sir Angus for his very interesting address, expressing the hope that he would again give a talk to the members in the near future.

Close of the Meeting 9.30 p.m.

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### SWISS CATHOLICS IN LONDON.

The Christmas and New Year's Service on January 2nd at St. Peters Church, Westminster, was well attended. Father Lanfranchi preached and assisted by Father Würms gave solemn benediction, the mixed choir rendering carols before and after the service.

The Childrens and Christmas party at the Cathedral Hall which followed was a huge success, nearly 600 compatriots being present. Thanks to the generous donors all children up to 16, about 80 in all, received toys or useful presents, whilst the grown ups had tea provided, supplemented by cakes and pastries graciously supplied by Messrs. Bachmann (Kencakes), Webber and Aubonney.

On the nomination of the Most Rev. Bernard Griffin as Archbishop of Westminster, the Committee sent on behalf of the Swiss Catholics congratulations and assurance of our prayers for his success, and His Grace replied giving thanks and his blessings to all.

### SWISS CHURCH IN LONDON.

Every Sunday at 11 a.m.

SERVICE IN FRENCH at the Eglise Suisse, 79, Endell Street, Shaftesbury Avenue, W.C.2.

SERVICE IN GERMAN at "Oak Room," Kingsway Hall, Kingsway, W.C.2.

## CITY SWISS CLUB.

Members are informed that a

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has been arranged for Saturday, 19th February, 3.30 p.m. till 6 p.m. at the Dorchester Hotel, London, W.1.

Tables of eight and ten persons can be reserved and it is suggested that parties up to these numbers are formed. Chapman and Dorchester Hotel Band will be in attendance.

Admission is by ticket only at 5/- each including gratuities, obtainable from the Hon. Sec., P. A. Moehr, Imperial House, Kingsway, W.C.2, or from any member of the Committee, but not later than Monday, 14th February.

Kindly send remittance with order.

THE COMMITTEE.

### PERSONAL.

The many friends of Mr. A. Stauffer will be delighted to learn that he has made a complete recovery; he entered a nursing home on the 16th inst for a minor operation and hopes to be back at his office shortly.

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We regret to hear of the passing away in Lausanne on the 6th January of Madame A. Girardet, beloved mother of M. Alexandre Girardet, Swiss Chargé d'Affaires. We extend to M. Girardet and to the Members of his family the expression of our deep sympathy in their sad bereavement.

### MISCELLANEOUS ADVERTISEMENTS

WANTED Cook General for Swiss living in comfortable house, Central heating, Lift. Prepared to pay high wages for efficient service. Box 77, Swiss Observer, 23, Leonard Street, E.C.2.

REQUIRED — Swiss Domestic Help, good home and wages. Every consideration. Please write particulars to: Miss M. Ivens, Fawsley House, 25, Hillmorton Road, Rugby, Warwickshire.

SWISS Lady requires General Help, Sleeping in; Modern flat, small child at day school. Good Wages. Mme Russell-Roberts, 9, Stafford Court, W.8.

### FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Union Chrétienne de langue française (French-speaking Y.M.C.A.) 9, Soho Square (Eglise Française), Réunion chaque mardi à 5.45 p.m. Invitation cordiale à tous.

Tuesday, February 1st, 1944, at 5.30 for 6 p.m. — City Swiss Club — Monthly Meeting preceded by a "Bierabig", at the Dorchester Hotel, Park Lane, W.1.

Saturday, February 5th, 1944 — Nouvelle Société Helvétique — Film Show at Conway Hall, at 2 p.m. and 4 p.m., in conjunction with the British and International Red Cross Societies.

Saturday, February 12th, 1944, at 2.30 p.m. — Swiss Mercantile Society — Annual General Meeting, at Brown's Hotel, Dover Street, W.1, preceded by a Luncheon at 1 o'clock p.m.

Saturday, February 19th, at 2.45 p.m. — Nouvelle Société Helvétique — Monthly Meeting, at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1, followed by Mr. G. J. Keller's usual talk on "Current Events."

Saturday, February 26th, 1944, at 2.30 p.m. — London Swiss Philatelic Society — Monthly Meeting, at Swiss House, 35, Fitzroy Square, W.1. Followed by an Exhibition.