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SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY.

Our monthly meetings were resumed on 12th September at Swiss House, when the house was, as usual at this time of the year, rather thinly attended.

Our president had the sad duty of reporting the death of yet another member and stalwart of the Colony, Mr. E. J. Bachofen, in memory those present paid the usual silent tribute by standing.

The meeting accepted the resignation of Mr. Guy de Rahm, owing to his return to Switzerland.

Our attention was drawn to an article and pictures in the Schweiz. Illustrierte, dealing with the S.K.V., and including one of our Head Master, Mr. Slade, on a tour of the City with our students.

Mr. Meier congratulated and thanked Mr. Streit upon the success of the 1st August celebration, which Mr. Streit acknowledged, adding a few remarks, amusing and otherwise, about incidents and difficulties he and his committee encountered in the organisation of the event.

Dr. R. Faessler of the Swiss Legation will address the October meeting on a subject of economic and financial interest to our members.

A letter of good wishes was signed by the members present to Mr. J. H. Ungricht on the occasion of his 85th birthday and expressing our pleasure at his recovery from an operation. On Mr. Andrea's prompting the Secretary was requested to write to Mr. Schaffhauser, who recently joined our section, and who is recovering from a nervous breakdown in the West Middlesex Hospital, Isleworth, wishing him a speedy recovery.

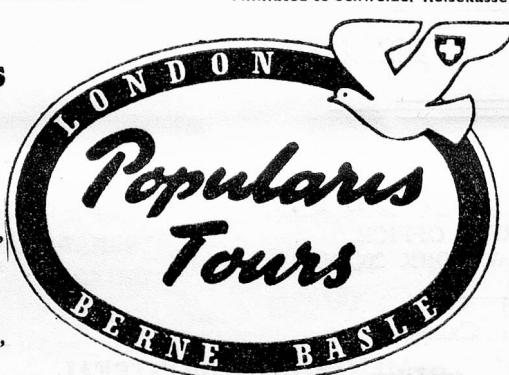
Following precedent we were treated for nearly an hour to the showing of excellent holiday pictures and postcards, with a running commentary by Mr. E. M. Huber (Switzerland, Bavaria, Austria), Mr. J. Oertli (Glarus, Engadine, Bernese Oberland, Zermatt, Wallis, Berne) and Mr. J. J. Schneider (the Western Isles of Scotland and Cornwall). These shows are improving steadily as the years go by, and there is little doubt that they will attract better attendances when this fact becomes known.

E.H.S.

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