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THE U.S. AMBASSADOR TO JAPAN

AUDIENCE BY THE EMPEROR.

H.E. Thomas J. O'Brien, the new United States Ambassador to Tokyo, was received in audience by H.M. the Emperor yesterday morning at half-past ten. About ten o'clock Mr. Hachisuka, a Master of Ceremonies in the Imperial Household, was sent to the U.S. Embassy to accompany the new Ambassador to the Imperial Palace. The Ambassador drove to the Palace in a carriage sent by the Imperial Household Department, being escorted by a party of cavalry of the Imperial Guards. On his arrival at the Palace the Ambassador was received by Count Toda, Grand Master of Ceremonies, and shown to a waiting-room, where he was met by Marquis Tokudaiji, Lord Chamberlain, Count Tanaka, Minister of the Imperial Household, Count Hayashi, Minister of Foreign Affairs, and Viscount Kagawa, Lord Chamberlain to H.M. the Empress. The Ambassador was then conducted to the Howo Chamber, where he was received in audience, and presented his credentials to the Throne.

After the audience the Ambassador proceeded to the Kiri Chamber, where he was received in audience by H.M. the Empress. Mr. H. P. Dodge and Mr. D. A. Jay, Secretaries of the Embassy, Lieut.-Colonel James A. Irons, Military Attaché, Mr. George P. Wheeler, Second Secretary, and Mr. R. S. Miller, Japanese Secretary of the Embassy, were also received in audience by the Emperor and afterwards by the Empress. Mrs. Dodge, Mrs. Irons, Mrs. Post Wheeler and Mrs. Miller also had the honour of being received in audience by her Majesty.

It is reported that Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien will be entertained to luncheon in the Homei Chamber on the 23rd instant, when the Princes of the Blood, Marquis Tokudaiji and several other Court officials will be present.