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HAUSSEN & CATCHLOVE BREWERY

Monday Afternoon, in response to invitations about 20 gentlemen, representing both branches of the Legislature and some of the leading mercantile from the colony, paid a visit of inspection to Messrs, Haussen & Catchlove's brewery at Hindmarsh. The number of visitors would have been larger but for the arrival of the English mail and other engagements. The examination of the machinery gave general satisfaction, but the very extensive cellarage attracted the chief notice. It was a matter of astonishment to all members of the party; in fact, if they had not actually seen for them selves they would not have credited the existence pf such a fine range of cellars as those possessed by Messers. Haussen and Catchlove. It consists of 14 subterranean passages, some of the 250 Yards in length, excavated out of the solid earth, and sided by no stone, wood, or brickwork whatever; and such in the mildness of the temperature in these regions that in the height of summer the thermometer never exceeds 76°. We understand that Messrs. Haussen & Catchlove have all the necessary appliances for turning out 30 hhd's, of beer per day, and that just now in spite of the cold weather they make as much as 120 hdds, per week. After a thorough and most satisfactory inspection of the premises the company were invited to partake of some refreshments, including as a matter of course a due admixture of the ale and porter brewed at the establishment. As will be seen by the remarks that follow most unqualified commendations were passed upon the ale, and especially upon the porter. Mr J. Souttar Manager of the Bank of Adelaide, proposed in eulogistic terms "Success to the enterprising firm of Messrs. Haussen & Catchlove." He gave his testimony as to the excellence of the beer he had tasted, and said the porter for quality and soundness had not been surpassed in the colony. The toast was warmly received, and Mr. H. Haussen, in acknowledging, explained that the idea of inviting the to look at there brewery originated with the Hon. T. English. He expressed the hope that they would soon emulate the example of New Zealand, and import much less foreign beer that they had been in the habit of doing. If it were generally known that the breweries of the colony could produce a really good ale and consumption of English beer would decline, and the colonial establishments would be more prosperous. The Hon. T. English preposed "Success to Colonial Industries," after praising the excellence and extent of Messrs. Haussen & Catchloves cellars, he gave it as his opinion that the only way successfully to encourage the consumption of colonial beer would be to make the all sign a pledge that they would not drink the imported article. He pointed to the fact that Messrs. Haussen and Catchlove had produced a profitable industry without the aid of protection, and wound up by asking the company to drink "The Health of the Members for the District." Mr. W. H. Bean returned thanks for himself and the Hon. H. B. T. Strangways, whose absence he regretted. He argued in favour of protection, and gave it as his opinion that the only way to shut out imported beer would be by putting a heavier duty upon it. Mr. J. H. Parr, in a happy and humorous speech, proposed "The health of the Employees of the Establishment." Was acknowledged by Mr. Trapmann on behalf of the foreman. Mr. W. Kay proposed "The Ladies" in a few felicitous remarks, and Mr. C. Peacock responded in appreciative terms. The Hon. W. W. Tuxford having complimented "The Press," the company retired, much pleased and satisfied with their afternoons visit.