DR. DU BOIS HONORED.

A dinner complimentary to Dr. W. C. B. DuBois, General Secretary of the Niagara Movement was given at Gray's Hall, New York, Saturday evening, February 23. The notice of Dr. DuBois coming to the city was announced in the papers and the local Niagara Committee was authorized to get invitations to all those who would have been glad to contribute to a dinner in honor of the man who stands pre-eminent in the movement for the advancement of his race in all its possibilities and aspirations. But notwithstanding the shortness of time the local committee managed to get up a coterie of the business, professional and official life of the capital was assembled. Tufts, Columbia, and Teachers College, together with the local Negroes, government employees and business men composed the company that sat down to dinner. The affair originated with Judge M. A. Hershaw, who acted as host and master of ceremonies, arose and introduced the man of the hour to the gathering. John E. D. Scott, in a neat and concise speech, spoke for the medicinal profession, telling of its achievements in the healing art, and the Negro. W. Calvin Chase, editor of The Bee, responded to the toast, "The Press," in which he set forth the importance of not allowing paper men to become lawyers. He paid a tribute to Dr. DuBois and the Niagara Movement, and closed by saying that the Movement contributed largely to the elevation of the races by its efforts to protect the cases of races against race discriminating laws.

Cromwell related a number of very interesting reminiscences, among which was the fact that the old man took a seat in the colored section of the train and was given the room of the first cabin. T. W. S. Jackson, H. P. Slaughter, and T. H. R. Clarke.

When it was announced that Dr. DuBois was to be introduced he was received with enthusiastic applause. The toast, the "Negro," was repeated several times. The colored people were shown to their advantage, and the company complimented them on their presence. He said he was surprised to be engaged in the political and civil rights of his race; that he alone had told him he would be doing the country a good turn. The message was that he is engaged in his present task, not because he likes it, but because duty and conscience. He could not be expected to be engaged in a position of such responsibility without many difficulties which confronted a speaker addressing such audiences. He closed the speech in the words, "We must have the Negro question in a place where it can be intelligently discussed." The last word was said with a certain amount of enthusiasm.

The menu was as follows:


Roast Turkey. Cranberry Sauce. From the menus.

The reception was quite a success, and the evening closed with the assurance that there would be another dinner at an early date.