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SOME OF THE WORKERS OF THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN SAILORS' SOCIETIES' LADIES' GUILD UNPACKING THE GREAT CASES OF WOOLLEN COMFORTS FOR THE MINE-SWEEPERS SENT BY MRS. HAMILTON NIMMO ON BEHALF OF THE W.C.T.U. OF NEW ZEALAND.

OPENING OF THE EFFICIENCY CAMPAIGN.

It was unfortunate that Thursday, August 8th, should have been one of Wellington's bad days, with cold south wind and drenching rain, for on that evening the big "petition" meeting was held in the Town Hall, when the three Organisers, just arrived from Canada, made their first

public utterances in the Capital City. Despite cold and wet, a large audience gathered to hear them, and a lively and interesting meeting it proved to be, for certain individuals, evidently representing the "Trade," were in attendance, ready to argue and interrupt whenever opportunity occurred. However, they found more than their match in Rev. R. S. Gray, who occupied the chair, after the first half-hour, and in the Canadian visi-

tors, and in every contest of wit they came off second best.

Mr Temple White contributed during the half-hour before the meeting several most enjoyable musical items on the large organ; and he accompanied the singing of the National Anthem, with which the proceedings opened.

The chair was taken by His Worship the Mayor, who, in a few well-chosen sentences, welcomed the visi-