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## INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON THE ELEPHANT.

An International Conference on the Protection of African Elephants and Rhinoceroses is being held at the Foreign Office. All European States having territory in Africa are represented.

Lord Chelmsford is the president, and the conference was called at the suggestion of Mr. Woosnam, Game-Warden of British East Africa, who has been taking a very active part in the protection of elephants and rhinoceroses in British East Africa. The regulations for such protection are, it seems, greatly impaired in their efficacy unless they are everywhere observed. It is in fact not much good protecting the animals in one colony without considering their protection in adjoining districts, particularly as regards the size of elephants' tusks for export. It must be borne in mind that the elephants and rhinoceroses are comparatively few in number, and that they are more easily got at than most animals. The conference is also considering how it can improve on the work done by a similar conference called by Lord Salisbury in 1899.

The delegates to the conference were entertained at dinner by the Government at the House of Commons on Tuesday night. Mr. Acland, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, was in the chair. It is expected that after to-day's sitting the delegates will be able to visit the Zoological Gardens.

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