# QUINTESSENCE OF PARLIAMENT.

(BY OUR VERY SHORTHANDER.)

# OTTAWA, June Ist.

GRIPS

MR. DAVIN moved that certain settlers in the North-West be granted the privilege of second homesteading, they having fulfilled the conditions in good faith under the law subsequently repealed. Incidentally he got in a good one on the smeller of the Hon. Mr. Dewdney, Minister of Interior.

Hon. Mr. Dewdney countered by referring to Davin's anti-prohibition conduct since coming down to the session.

Other members took a hand in. Question of vested interests debated. House divided on motion to adjourn. Adjourned.

## June 2nd.

Debate on Tupper resumed. Grit orators wearing 4 oz. gloves. Defence of Tupper left to his dutiful son, unaided by any other Minister. House adjourned, lest Sir John's death might happen while the unpleasantness was going on.

### June 3rd.

House met and spent the time frying very small fish. Chief interest centred in McGreevey investigation, where



## "THE CHIEF MOURNER."

MISS BROWNE-"I was very sorry to hear of your uncle's death, Mr. Jolliby, but I know you will bear up bravely—think how much better off the old gentleman now is."

MR. JOLLIBY-"Hm ! I don't know about the old gentleman, but I know I'm better off. He left me all his property.

[And then she congratulated him.]



#### JOURNALISM A LA MODE.

MANAGING EDITOR OF "SCREAMER" - "Did you interview Jumbleton?"

NEW REPORTER-"Couldn't do it."

MAN. ED.-"Couldn't do it? Why not, I should like to know?" NEW REPORTER-"Jumbleton died half an hour before I got to the house.

MAN. ED .- "What's that got to do with it ? You were ordered to get an interview, and it's your business to get it. Sit down and write it, and make a column of it, d'ye hear?

Conolly the Contumacious made a sensation by refusing to give up the books of his firm.

#### June 4th.

Mr. Charlton's Sunday Observance Bill debated and referred to select Committee.

Mr. Edgar's One Man One Vote Bill discussed. Motion for second reading defeated by majority of 32.

Sitting noteworthy for Sir John Thompson's maiden "Shall this motion be adopted?" said the witticism. "I do not think it will," said Sir J, as he got Speaker. up to speak against it.

## June 5th.

Tupper debate resumed. More hard hitting by Opposition : gallant defence from ministerial back benches. No voice from Cabinet seats. Vote taken. Laurier's motion of censure defeated by majority of 21.

Contumacious Conolly ordered to appear before bar of House for not giving up the firm's books in McGreevy case.

### EDISON, HELP US!

EDISON will put a climax on his achievements when he invents something that will enable an editor to get satisfaction for a stupid typographical blunder which he discovers in his paper after the whole edition is printed, and which he failed to see when he carefully read the proof. At present the editor can only kick himself, which is a poor contrivance. These remarks are called out by a "misprint," which (of course) robbed a sentence in last week's GRIP of all its point. It was where Painter Forster explained that he was doing Prof. Caven's portrait from an "Armenian point of view, and toning down the Calvinistic lines." The compositor put it "American point of view." And we never noticed the thing till it was too late, too late !!